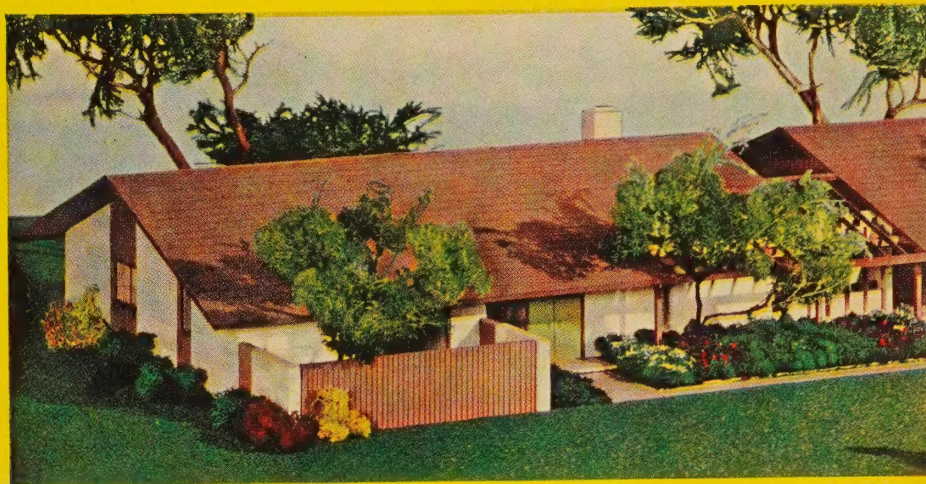


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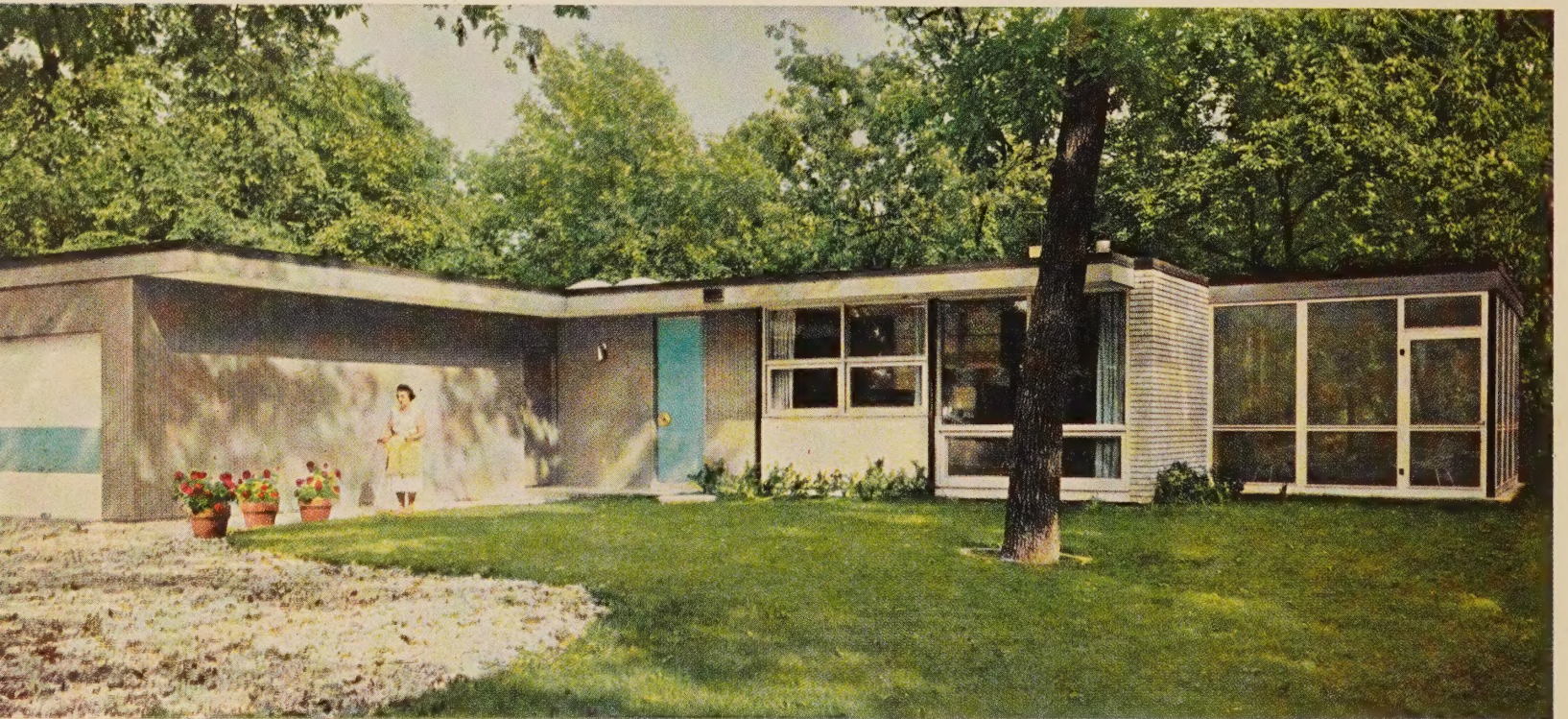


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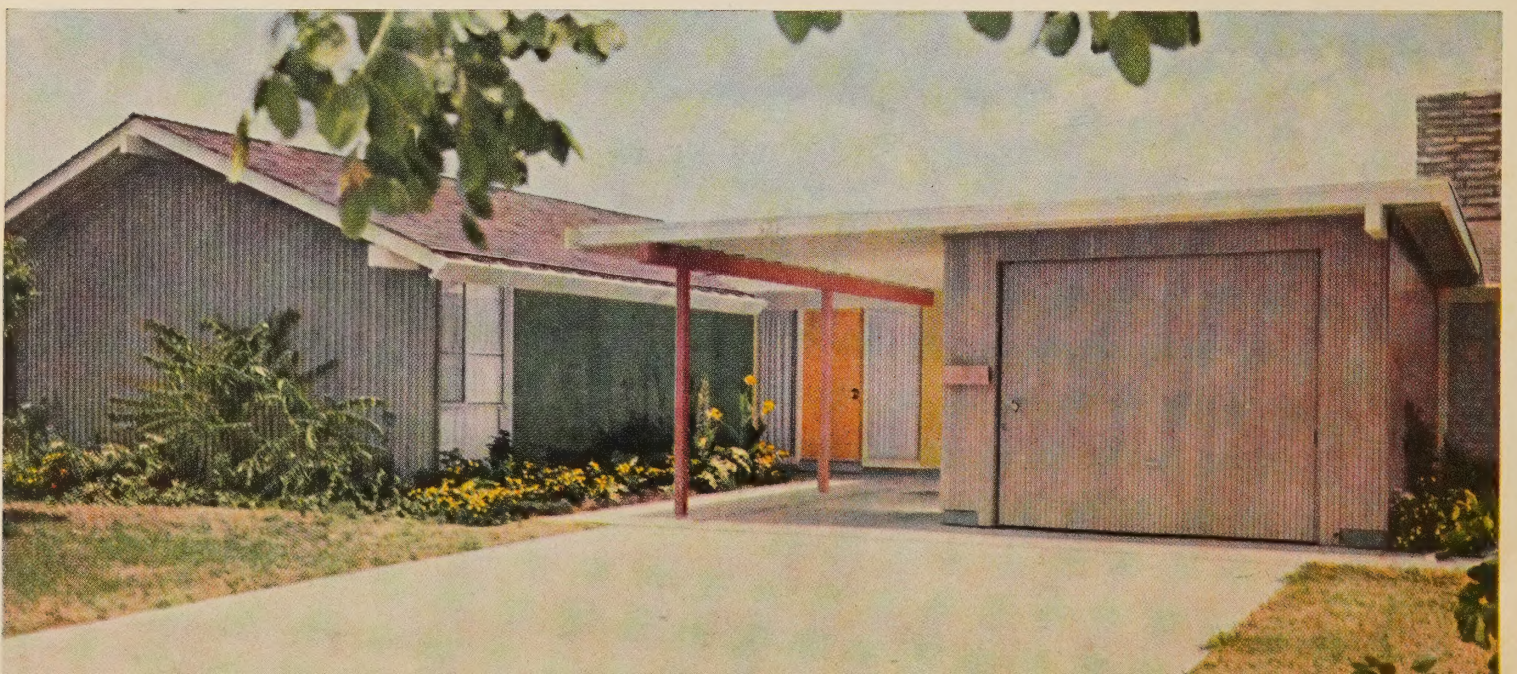


Warm glow of welcome comes from blending of colors in Five Star Home 2810; you'll find plan and data on page 14.



Simple exterior materials focus attention on color and line—the charm of Five Star Home 2803 shown on page 18.

Flower-filled entry court offers an inviting exterior to visitors approaching front of Five Star Home 2809-F, page 12.





Five Star 2809-D has a distinctive horseshoe plan; see page 10.

Screened court is outdoor living center in Five Star 2809-D.



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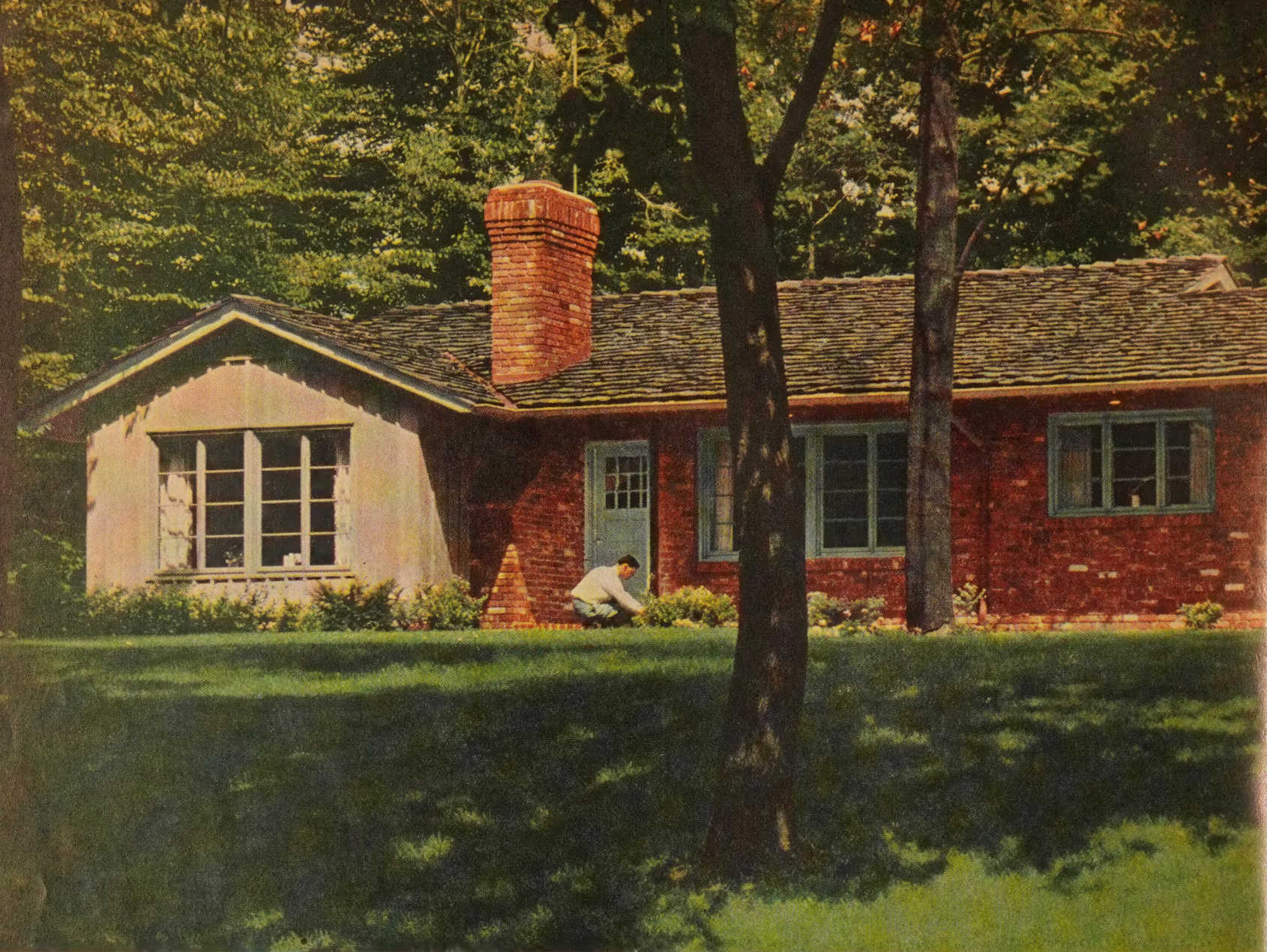
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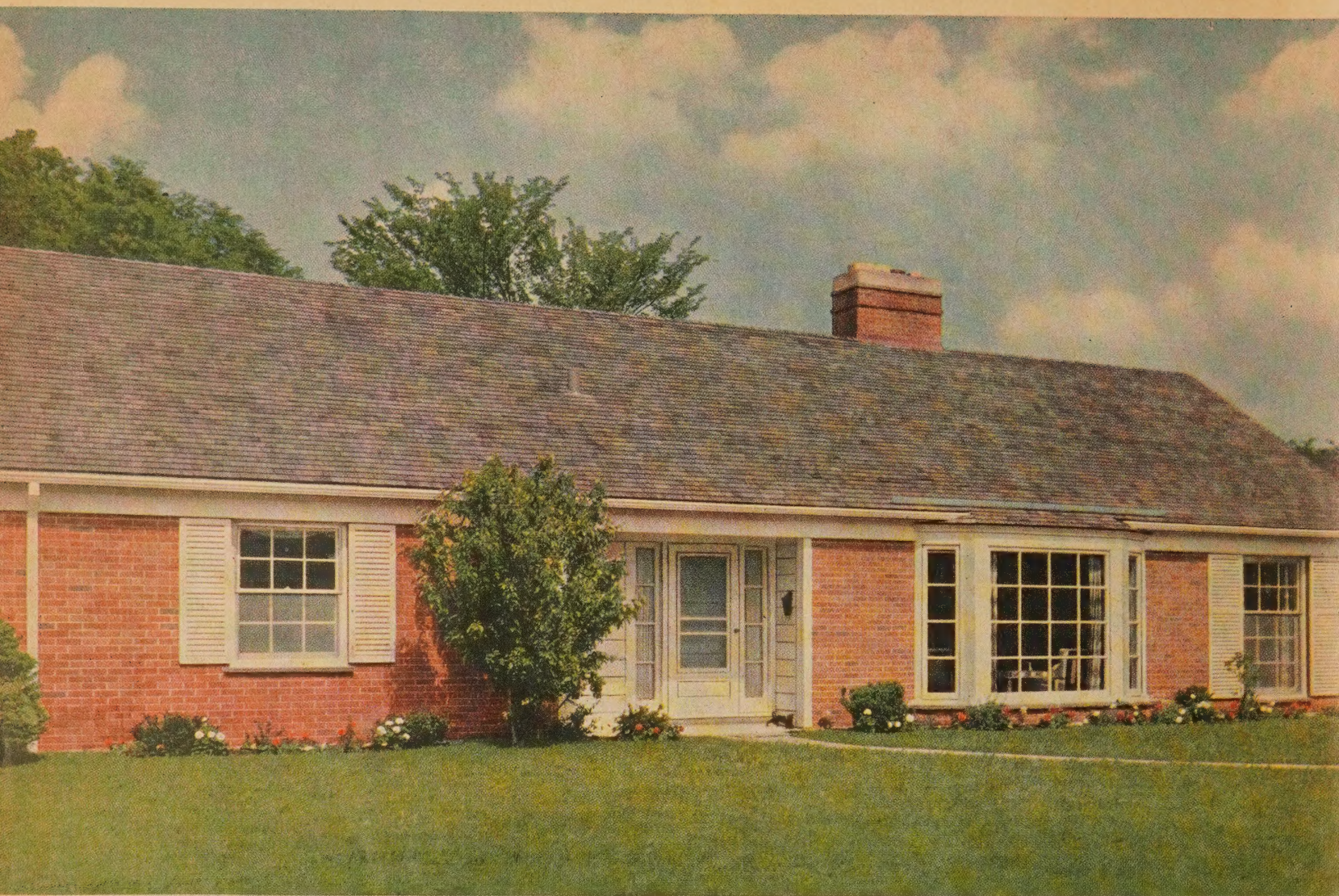
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Red brick and white trim keynote this popular design. A long, low look is gained by keeping house close to grade, running windows almost to

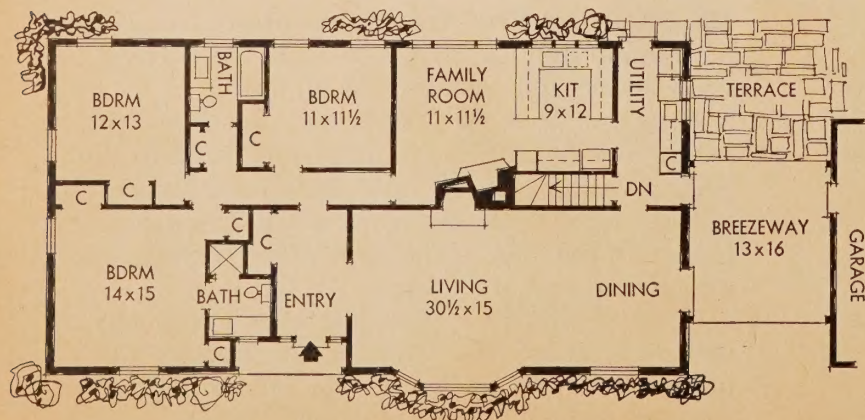
2511

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *James Schnur*
 AREA: 1,890 square feet
 DIMENSIONS: 92½x32 feet

GOOD TO LOOK AT,

Rectangular plan incorporates modern planning techniques



The time-honored popularity of the New England style house is legendary. And the reasons for its favored position are many—its history is a distinct part of our heritage, it has the familiar feeling of the homes we grew up in, and its materials and floor plan attest to its economical and practical appeal.

Yet in this Five Star home, Architect James Schnur provides a fresh addition to this proved design by including a family room. Located in an activity-working core with kitchen and utility room, it becomes a useful part of the home. A breezeway links the living area to outdoors, and a central hall gives good traffic sense to total plan.

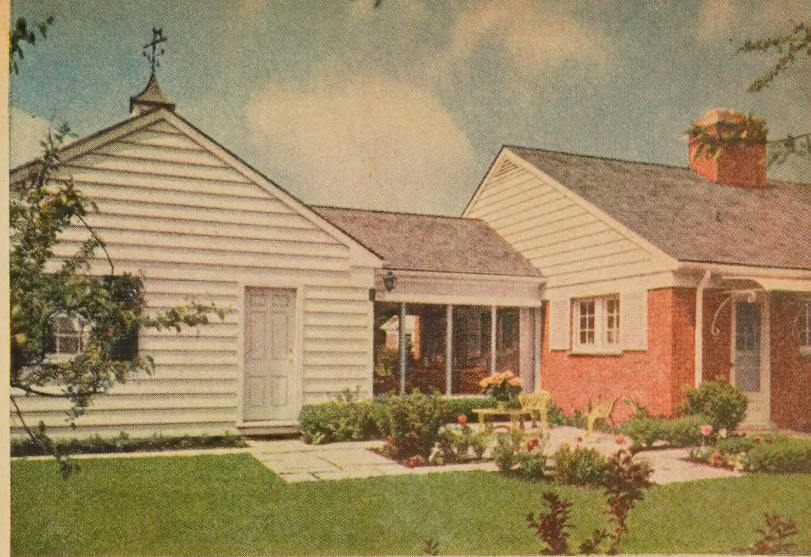
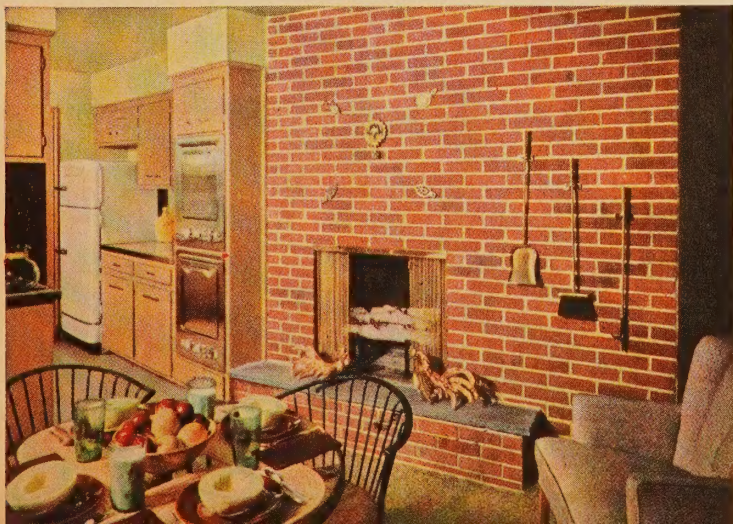


ground, and using a strong horizontal line of molding under eaves.

EASY TO LIVE IN

Even this semi-Traditional house has a family room to bring its living up to date

Fireplace, focal point of family room, is angled to guide traffic to kitchen. It shares the same pillar of brick as the fireplace in living room, but has a separate flue. Raised hearth is slate.



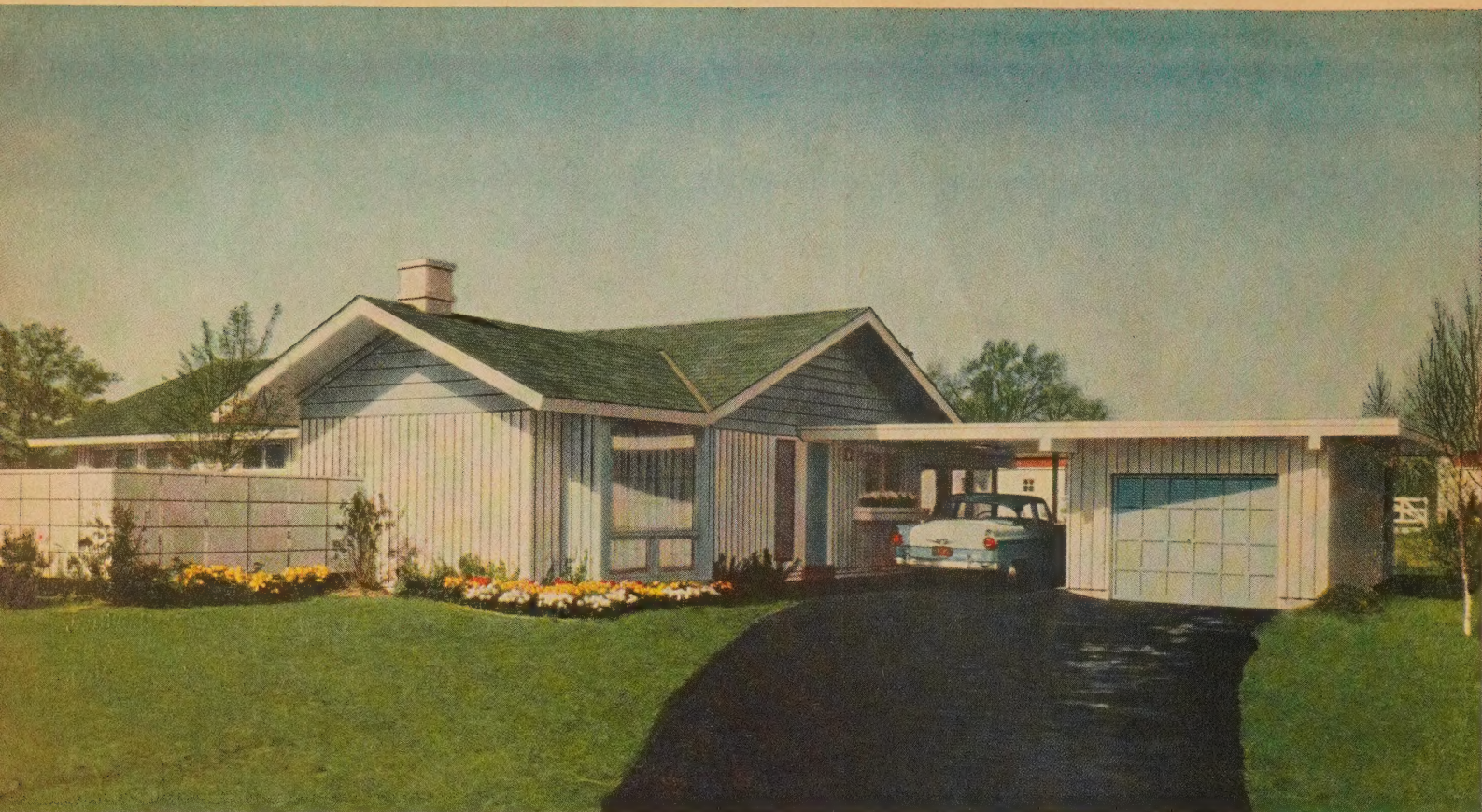
Behind house is a neat terrace of random-size concrete slabs. Tucked in space between garage and house, it's sheltered by the breezeway-porch. Near-by kitchen is handy for snacks outdoors.

With family room to take brunt of living and small gatherings, living room is spared for formal entertaining. Bay window becomes commanding feature of room and gives relief to wall line.



Space between kitchen counter and cabinets serves as pass-through or buffet for family room. Couch across room doubles as an extra sleeping space for overnight guests.





Ideas in this home capture individual attention, yet all blend well. Fence at left screens terrace exclusive to living room. Blend of bay, picture-window ideas produced this attractive view window. Garage and carport in combination make the house appear to be larger.

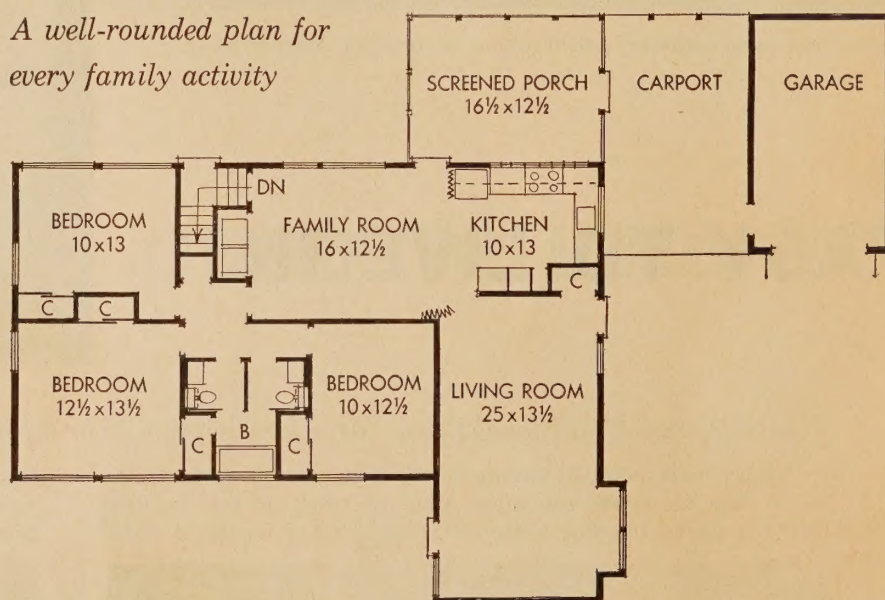
PLANNED WITH THE FAMILY IN MIND

Check this Five Star home's three big living areas: the living room, the family room, and screened porch. An optional basement playroom makes up a fourth living area at little additional cost.

2609
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Ralph Fournier*
AREA: 1,414 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 49x73 feet

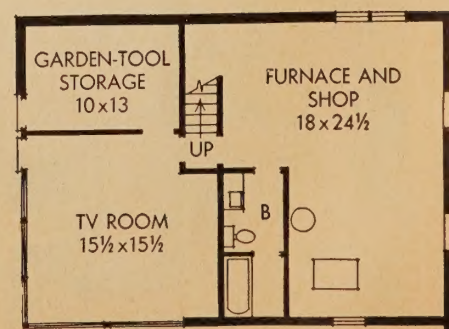
A well-rounded plan for every family activity



An optional bonus feature for a sloping site is the downstairs game room with its adjoining terrace and play area.

With sunny colors of house reflecting daylight into the large windows, it's every bit as inviting as rooms above.

By taking advantage of this space, one-third more room is available at small cost.



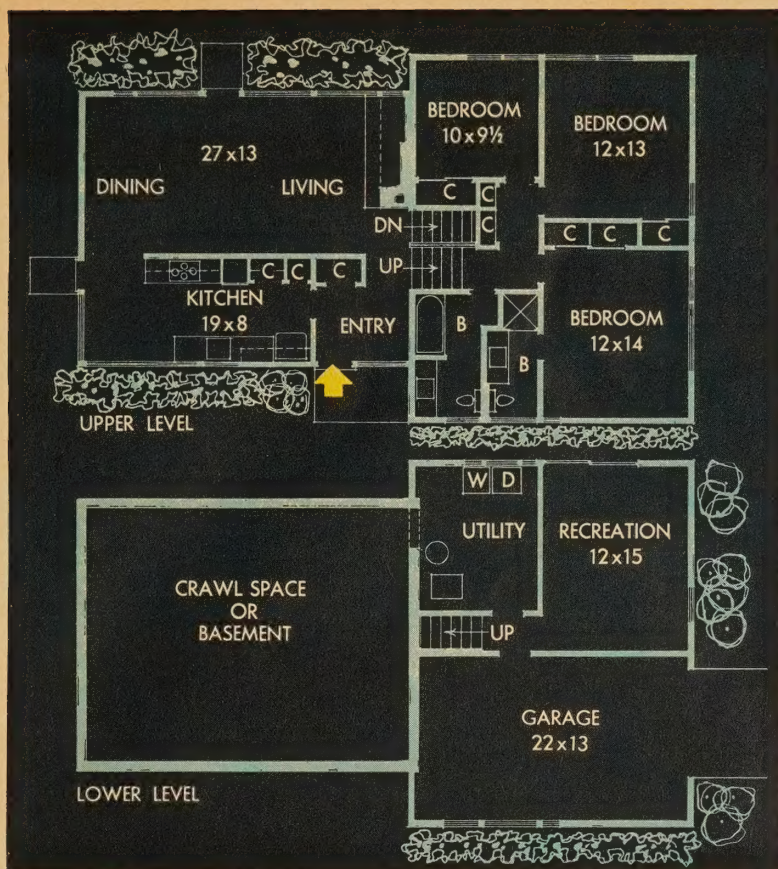
SEPARATE LEVELS FOR ACTIVITIES

Split level is popular across the country—here's a house that shows why. More than most, it's a plan that's fine for parents with lively youngsters. Sleeping, living, play are handy, but they don't intrude on each other.

From front door, upper or lower levels are only a few steps (with no cutting across the living room). Living and dining overlook rear lot, not the street.

2809-B Five Star Home

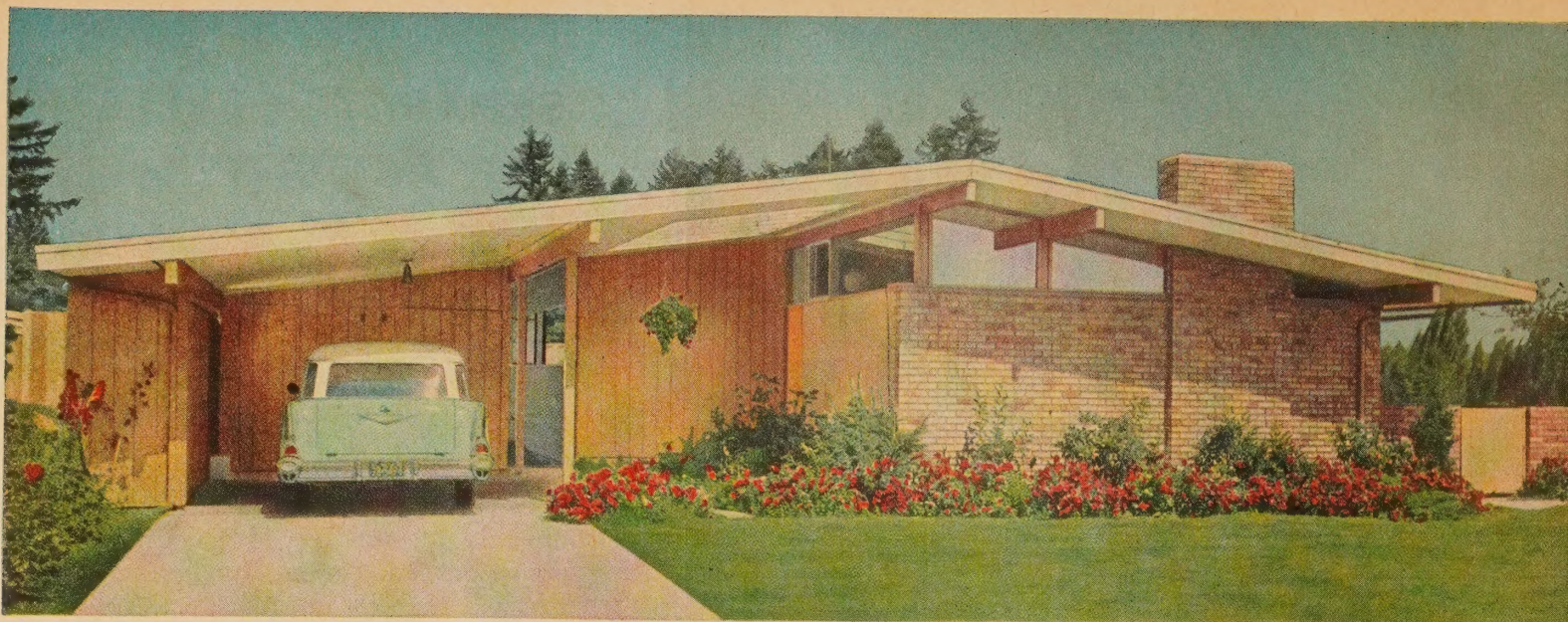
ARCHITECTS: *Compton-Pierce*
AREA: 1,514 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 30x51 feet



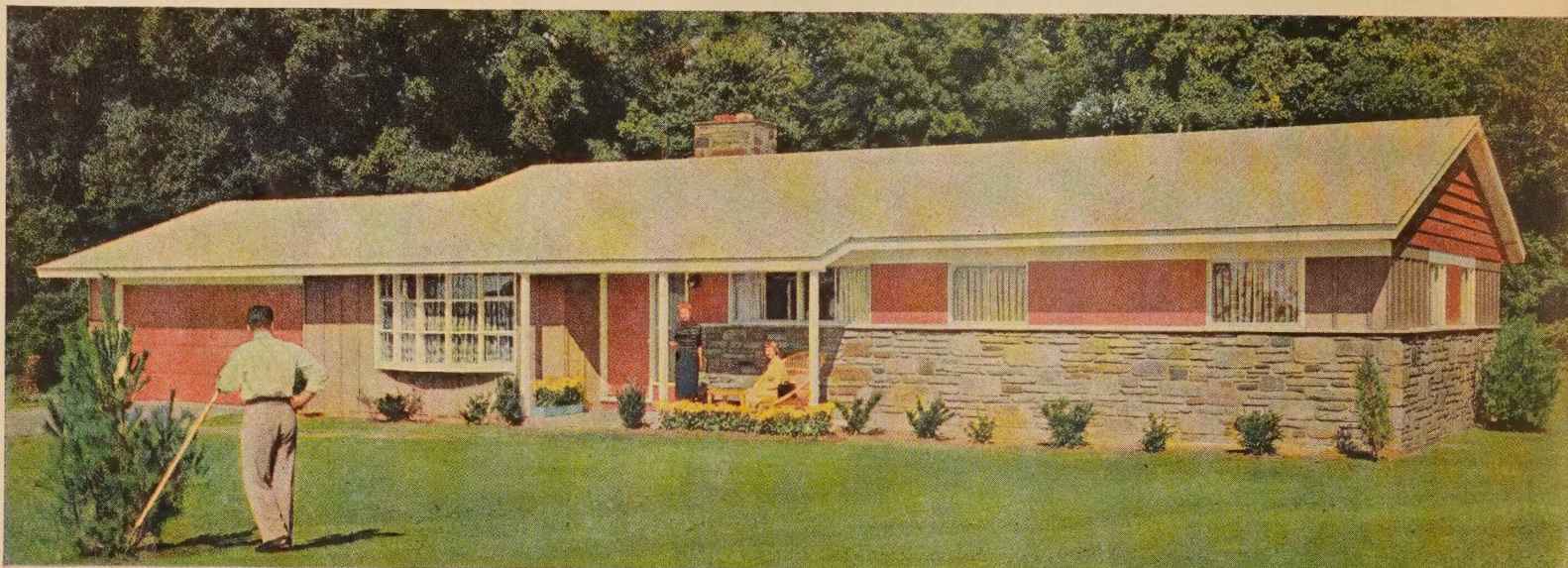
Enjoyment of this back-yard outlook is shared by two → bedrooms (up), family room (down), and the living-dining and kitchen (in between). The architects made use of the private side of lot away from street for maximum openness.

Split-level, yes—split-up house, no! This is a *whole* house, no matter how you look at it. Simple, unbroken roof line is the key to its success. The handsome wood siding ties exterior lines together. Large glass area beside front door keeps entry hall from becoming gloomy. Garage is in basement, tucked economically below bedrooms.



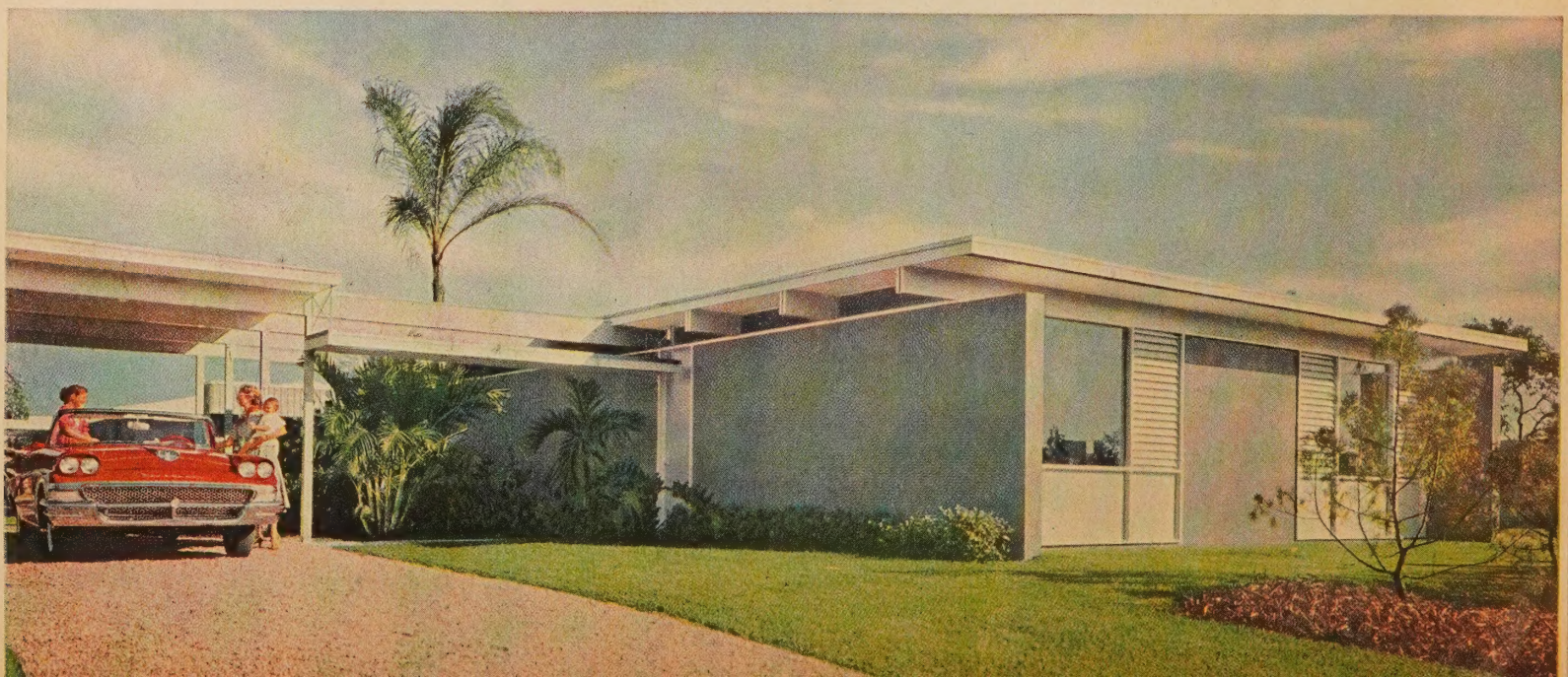


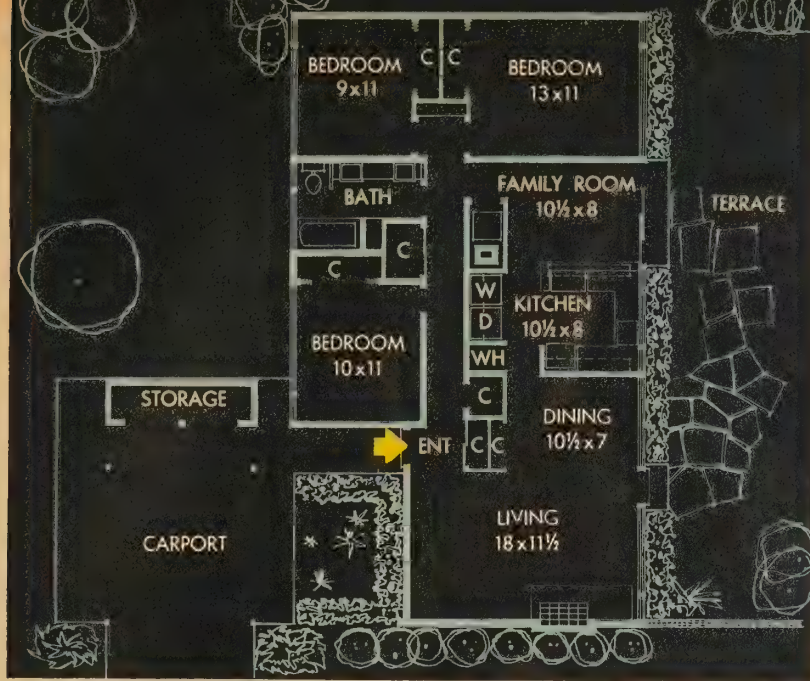
Here're Traditional materials — honey-toned vertical paneling, brick, and glass combined in an attractive new way for Comtemporary smartness.



A smooth, sweeping roof line keeps this home neat, uncomplicated. Notice how the trim entry porch and garage are included under one roof.

Carport becomes a planned, pleasant part of home. Simple construction is apparent here: post-and-beam frame, stucco walls, built-up roof.





MORE SPACE HERE THAN MEETS THE EYE

You'll find spaciousness—in less space than you'd think—in this home. It achieves as much living as larger plans; but with lower cost and square footage.

Central hall joins (yet separates) three-bedroom “quiet” wing and active, daytime areas. View windows enlarge living room.

2809-A
Five Star Home

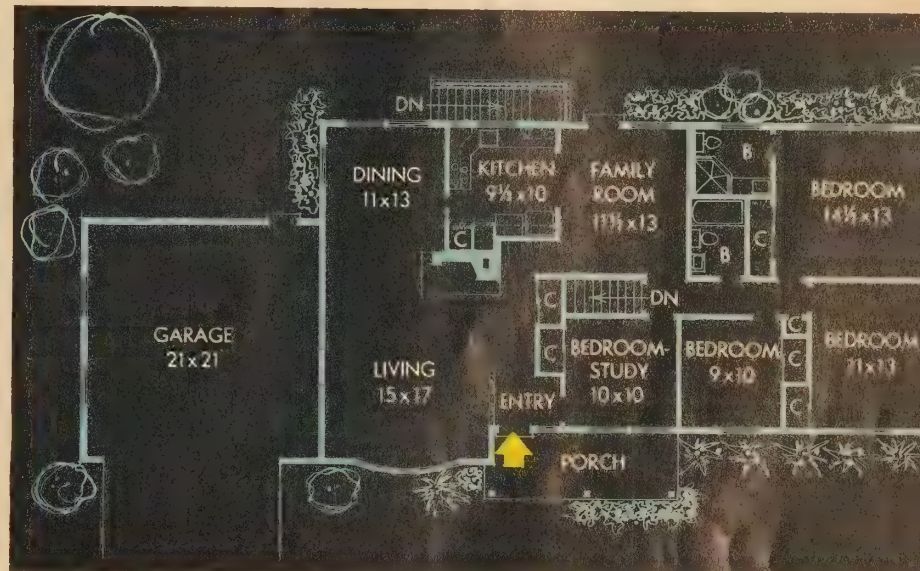
ARCHITECTS: *Mithum & Nesland*
AREA: 1,218 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 42x49 feet

A HOME BOTH WIFE AND HUSBAND WILL ENJOY

Here's a house to win wives and influence husbands! Details like the bay window and entry porch delight the ladies. Inside, a “command post” kitchen and an outside view win their vote every time. Men like the full basement, with inside and outside doors.

2809-C
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *George Hay*
AREA: 1,616 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 31x78 feet



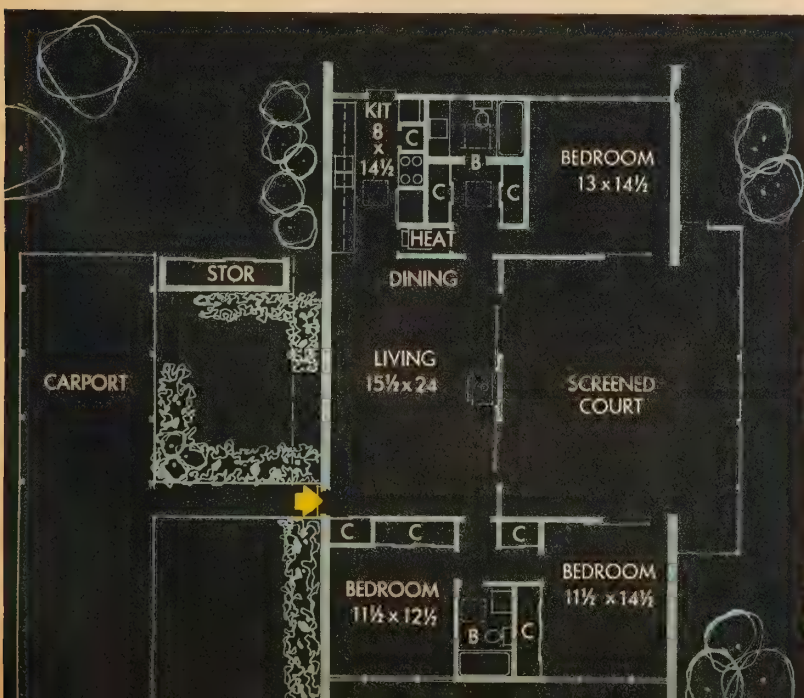
SCREENED AREA LIVING IN EXCITING “U” PLAN

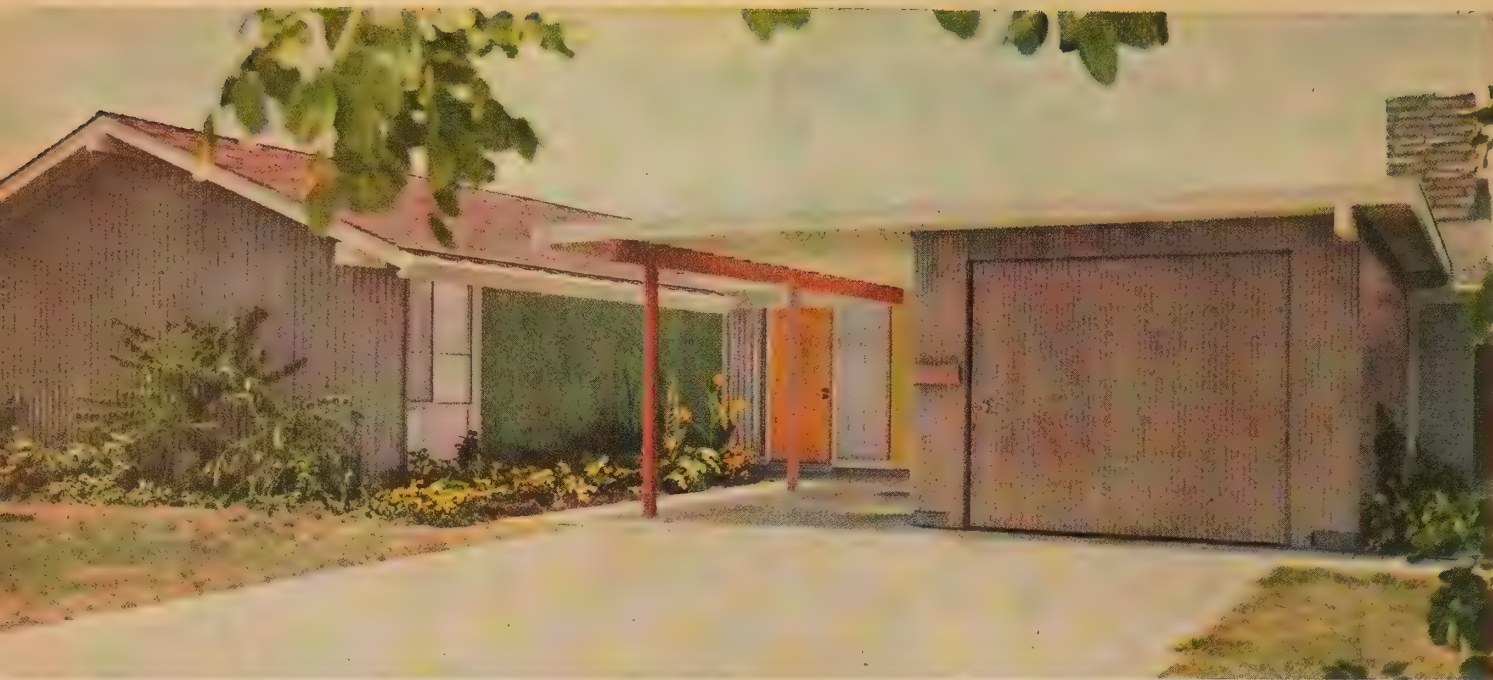
Open yet intimate—home has a distinctive horseshoe plan. Wings embrace a screened outdoor living room that's open top and sides. Two bedrooms, plus living-dining area, open to attractive garden court.

“U” plan also separates sleeping areas—one side for children, the other for parents.

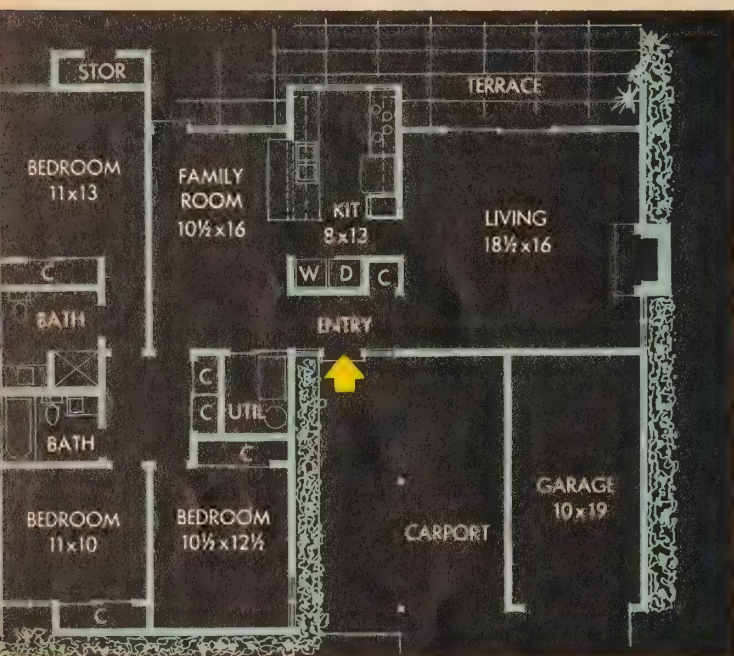
2809-D
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Edward J. Seibert*
AREA: 1,250 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 38x60 feet





Carport adds width to the entry court. It also doubles as rainy-day play area. Exterior of home is board-and-batten and stucco.



ENTRY-COURT HOUSE FOR A NARROW LOT

When faced with a narrow lot, you're often smart to move the car shelter around front. This home makes it an asset as an entry court, and it gives the house impressive size. There's space in rear for a lovely terrace and garden.

2809-F
Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: Jones & Emmons
AREA: 1,400 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 44x50 feet

It's difficult to combine openness and privacy, but → this home does it. Beams and vaulted ceilings join living areas, yet partitions make rooms individual.

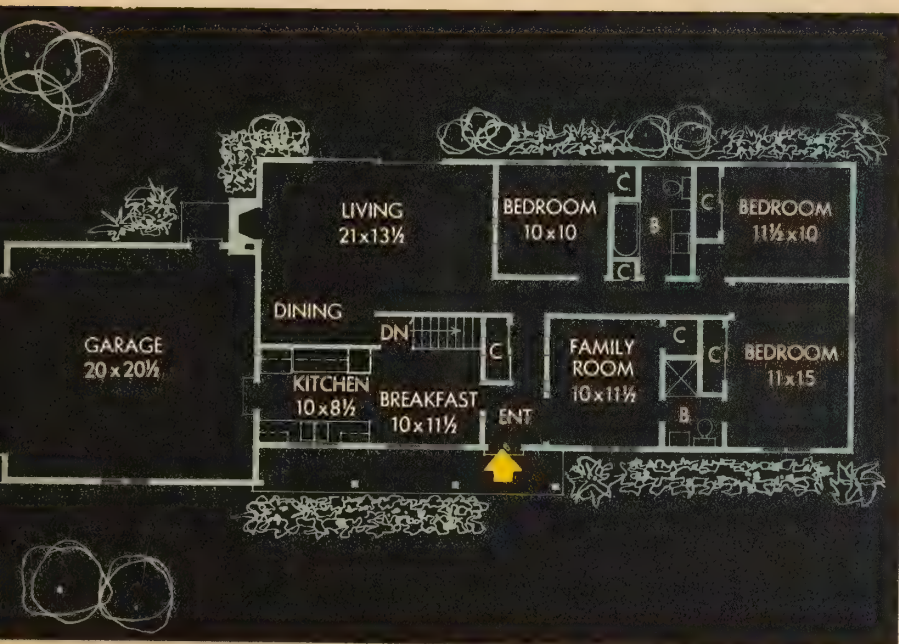
This area can serve as a family-fun area or for formal company suppers. Breakfast bar along kitchen divider wall is just the place for informal snacks.





Early American details, all old favorites, all well done! This home brings together many of the features you've always wanted. Crisp white shutters stand out against a background of red brick. Pale blue rectangles beneath each window are repeated by board-and-batten siding.

Narrow entry porch is handsomely simple; it's a small veranda in the summer.



This house has ample informal eating space at one end of kitchen away from cooking center. It's an enjoyable feature of years ago that has returned in even more useful form. Dining end of living room, through doorway at left, serves for more formal occasions.

TRADITIONAL FACE FOR A MODERN PLAN

Well-loved Traditional styling shows in this home. But it has today's plan and details to suit modern tastes.

Living room, at rear away from through-traffic, takes advantage of the enjoyable outdoor area. You can choose from a pair of dining areas; off living room or next to up-front kitchen.

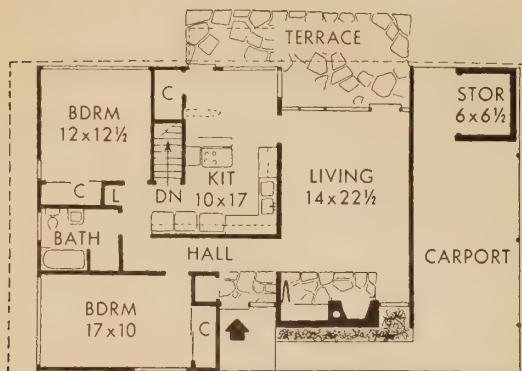
2809-E
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: Fred Storm
AREA: 1,460 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 30x75 feet



Your building dollar buys space and privacy in this compact plan tucked neatly beneath a rectangular roof

GOOD SEPARATION OF ACTIVITIES SOLVES PRIVACY PROBLEM



There's no false merger of family activities to gain spaciousness in this house. Living, sleeping, and working areas are well separated—by intelligent room placement and by partitioning. The choice of privacy over openness resulted in no sacrifice of room space.

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Five Star Home

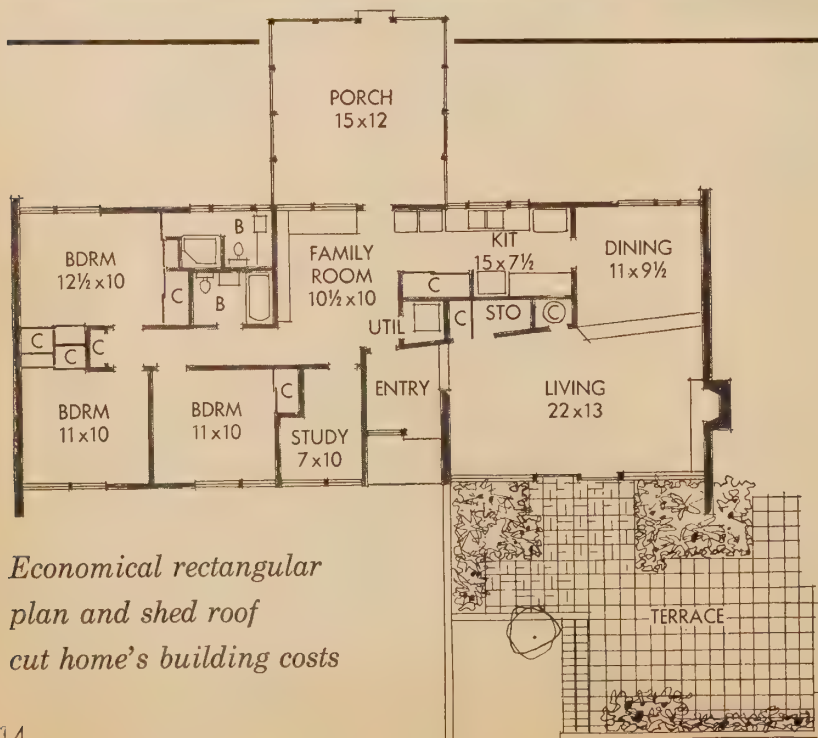
ARCHITECT: *Lawrence Evanoff*
AREA: *1,161 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *53x33 feet*



Glow of welcome comes from blending colors of door, panels, brick, redwood.

CUT COSTS AND STILL GET BIG HOUSE FEATURES

This home was designed to prove a small house can be livable, enjoyable, and still serve the needs of a growing family. The result included such cost-cutting features as a rectangular shape, back-to-back baths, exposed beams, end walls without openings. Central hall traffic plan is excellent.



Economical rectangular plan and shed roof cut home's building costs

2702
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Stuart Baesel*
AREA: *1,505 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *29x61 feet*



High window, minimum glass keep interior of home private from street view.

LIVING ROOM AND FAMILY AREA MAKE THIS PLAN VERSATILE

Living qualities of a house *really* stand up to be counted when shorter days and turning leaves announce the return of fall. Instead of moving inside for what amounts to hibernation, in such an accommodating plan as this, it's a pleasure to look forward to family activities and holiday parties. It's truly a wonderful place to live all year round.

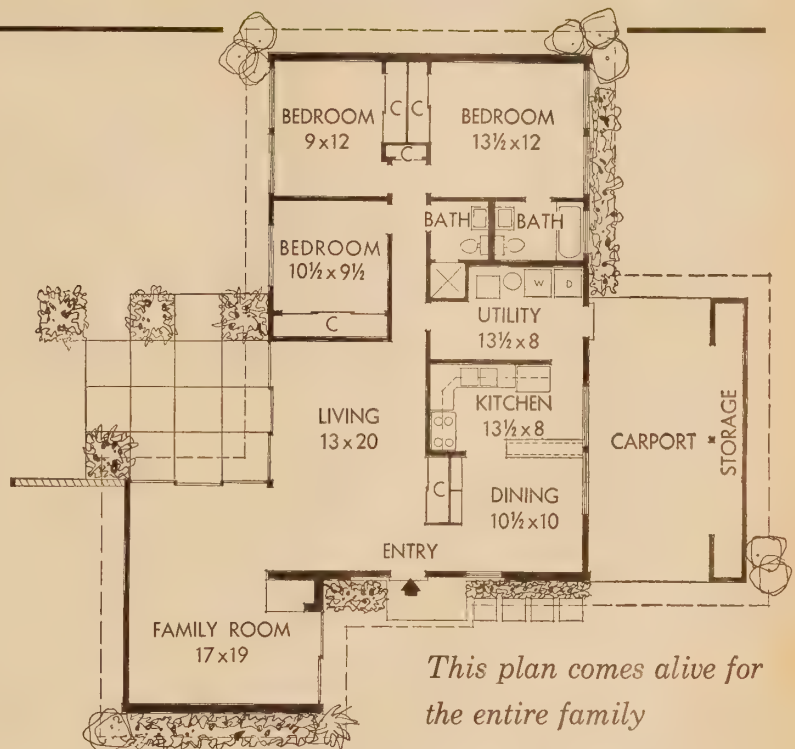
2810

Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: *Fischer & Frichtel*

AREA: 1,475 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 54x57 feet



*This plan comes alive for
the entire family*

Long, low exterior has well-scaled rectangles of bright but balanced color.





A HOME FOR THE WHOLE COUNTRY

This home was originally built in Florida. It has all the exciting planning features that once never strayed from such climates. But now, with modern materials, methods, and machines, it's possible to have this kind of living no matter where you build.

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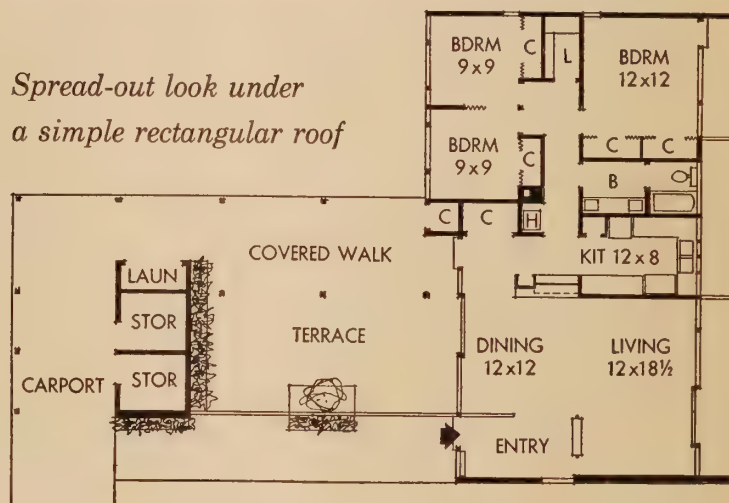
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ARCHITECT: *Mark Hampton*

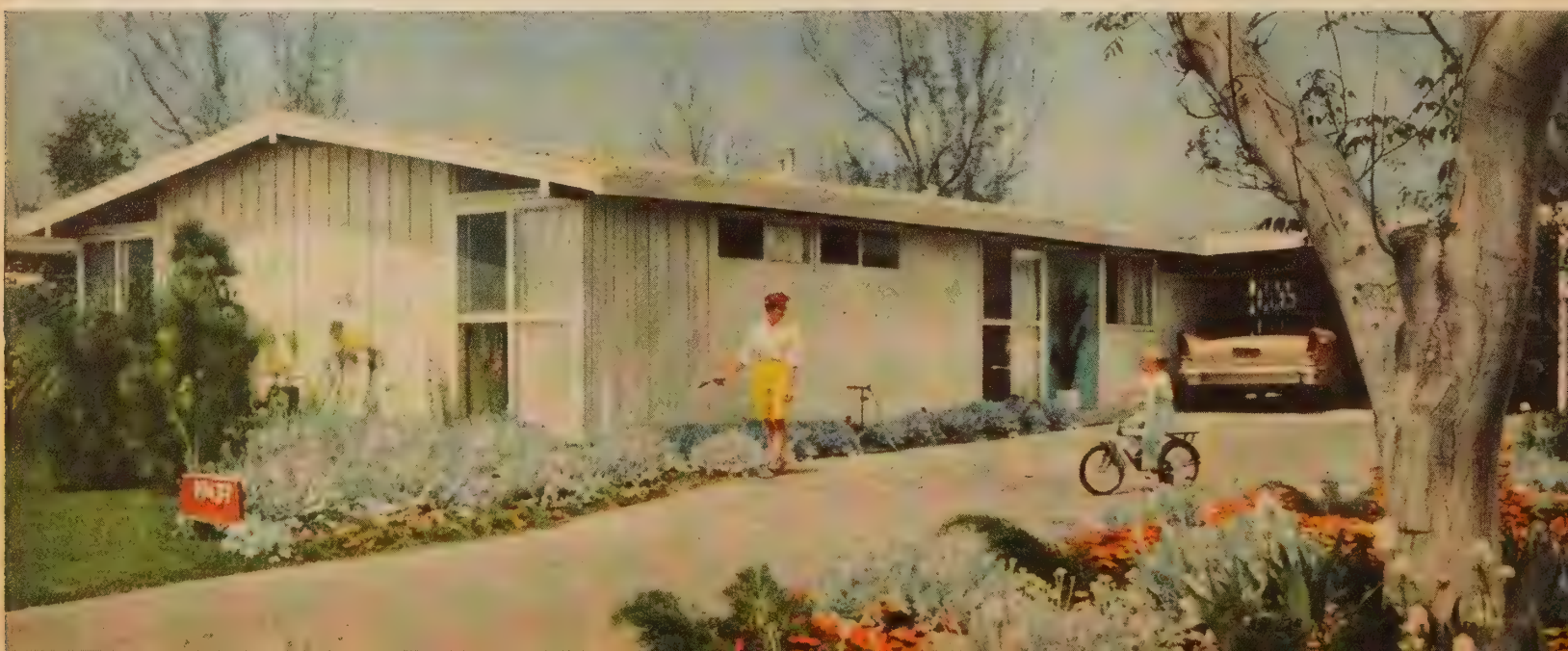
AREA: 1,275 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 28x75 feet

*Spread-out look under
a simple rectangular roof*



The carport and covered walk give an impressive frontage to this small house. Old brick and board-and-batten siding in weathered gray stain are balanced in almost formal pattern across front. →



A HOME FOR LARGE FAMILY LIVING



Even on a gloomy fall day, this home can't help being warm and cheerful; it says "welcome home" in any weather.

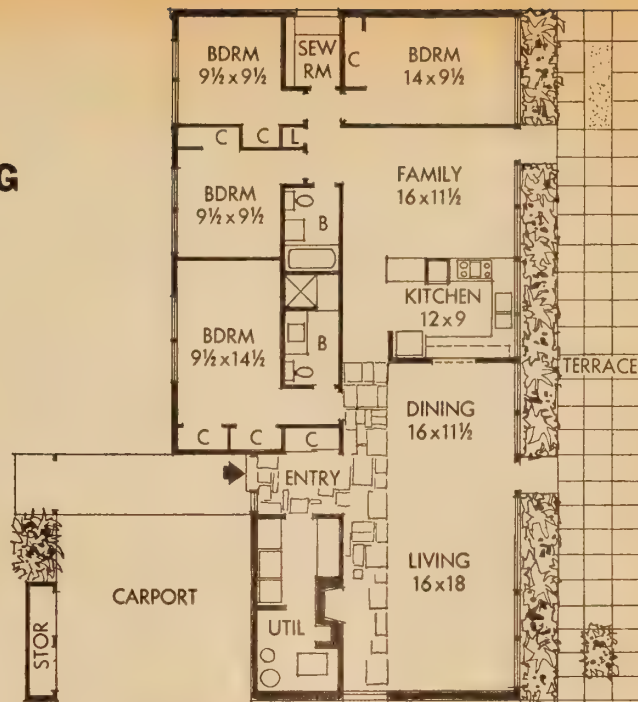
Rich tones of cedar planking and brick would make the house distinctive in any climate.

Carport serves as a covered entry and children's play area.

If you love your children—but want a life of your own, too—you'll understand why this home is so successful. Here rooms are planned where parents and children can do things together—or apart.

2811
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: John Jickling
AREA: 1,870 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 33x63 feet



FOUR BEDROOMS ON A BUDGET



Low-pitched gable roof, board-and-batten siding once a trade-mark of "California styling" is now popular throughout most of United States.

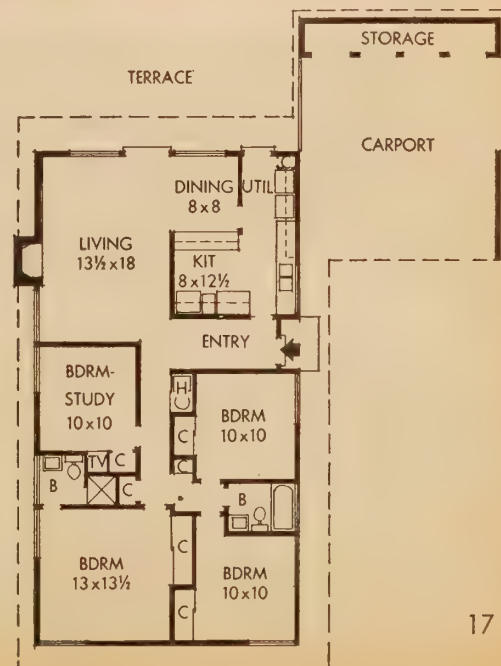
Recessed entry and carport provide visual relief from straight lines of rectangular plan.

There's a big storage area at rear of carport.

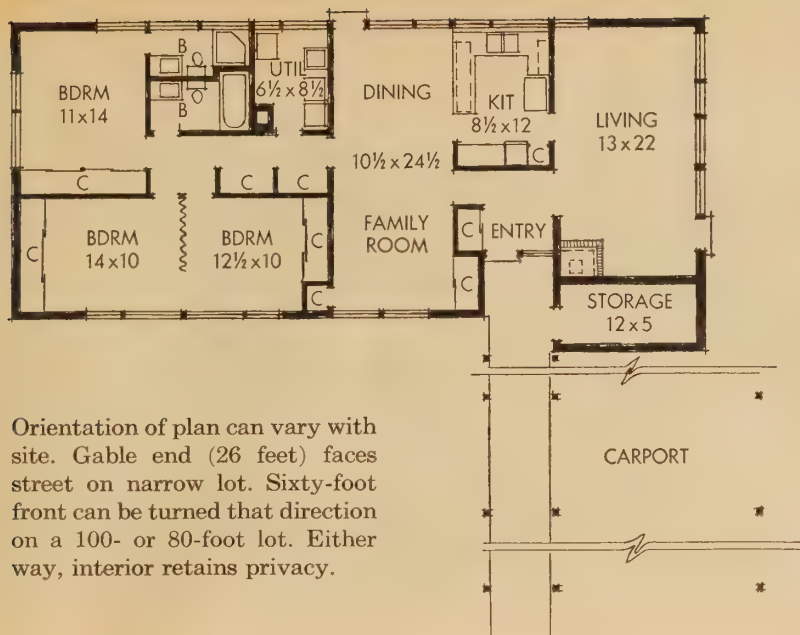
There are many features that make this Five Star home something more than just another house. But most important is the carefully worked out rectangular plan that gives its owners four bedrooms and two bathrooms in only 1,280 square feet.

2711
Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: Palmer & Krisel
AREA: 1,280 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 46x61 feet







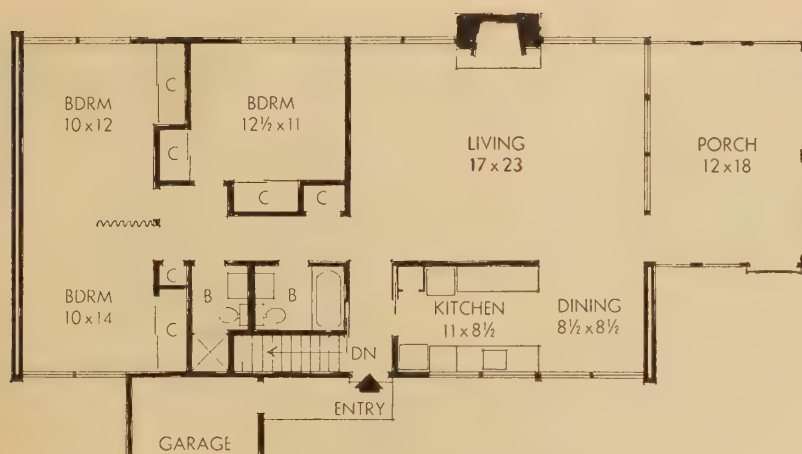
← Orientation of plan can vary with site. Gable end (26 feet) faces street on narrow lot. Sixty-foot front can be turned that direction on a 100- or 80-foot lot. Either way, interior retains privacy.

EVERYTHING A NEW HOUSE SHOULD BE

If you're looking for a house to build or an idea for a new way of living, here is a fresh and exciting plan for the entire family. It's a home that should fit the average family's growth from cradle through college without revision or addition.

2701
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Joseph Cyr*
AREA: 1,626 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 66x56 feet



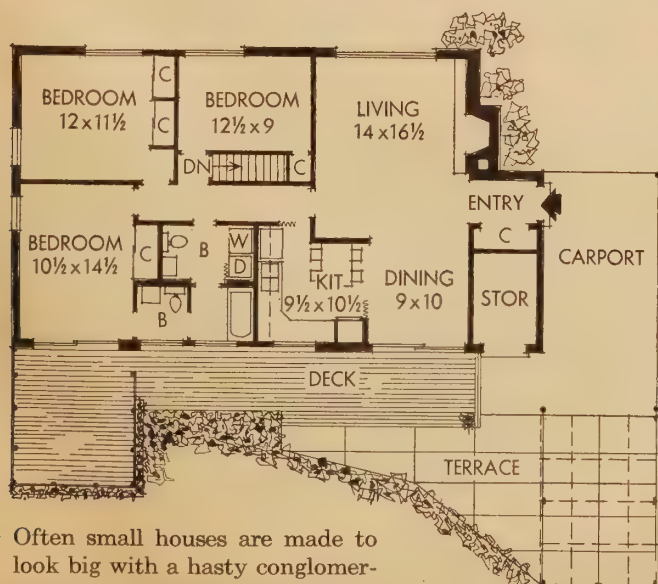
← Simple exterior materials focus attention on color and line—the charm of this home. Economical flat roof uses overhang where it's needed: sheltered route to entry from turnaround, shade for kitchen and dining room windows.

A HOUSE WITH SPACE AND STYLE

This rectangular, single-level house offers two advantages of two-story homes; namely, a low building cost, and effective separation of activity and quiet areas. Outside, clean lines of post-and-beam are accented by equal units of glass, wood, and brick.

2803
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Louis Huebner*
AREA: 1,325 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 50x26 1/2 feet



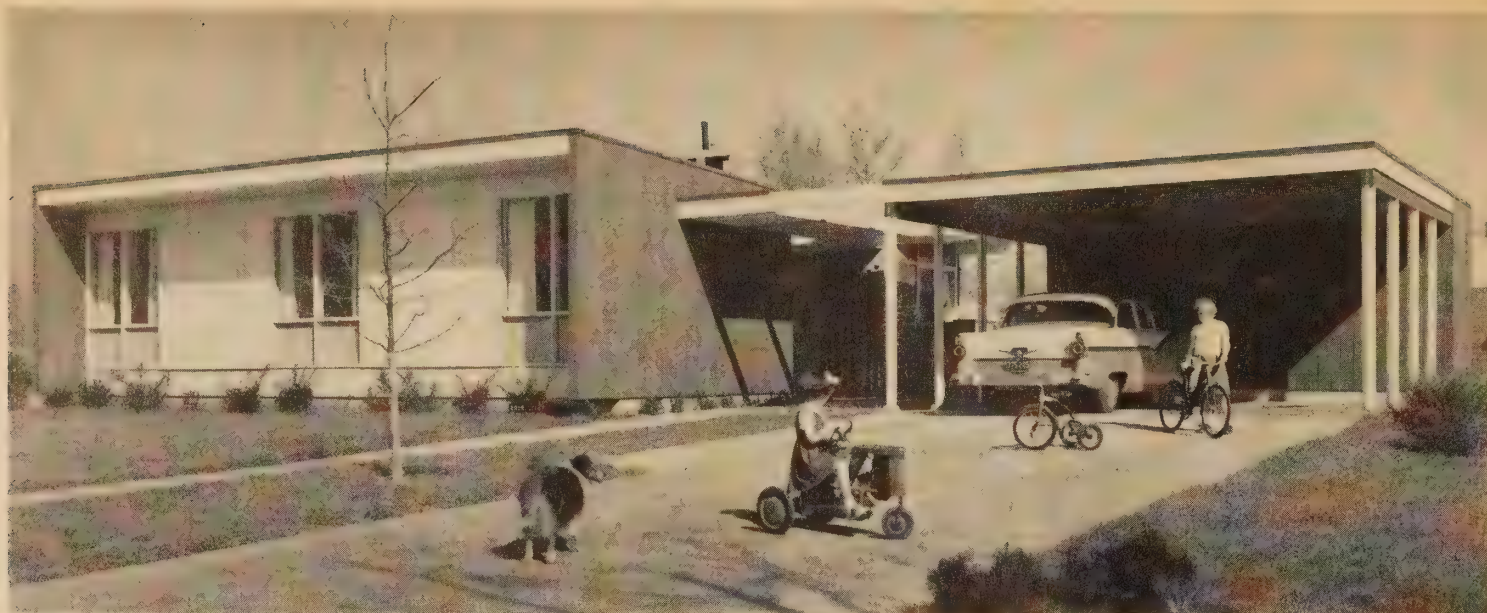
← Often small houses are made to look big with a hasty conglomeration of materials. Here, only brick and board were used for a simple, substantial appearance.

DO YOU REALLY NEED A LARGE HOUSE?

Home buyers often spend money on excess space. It's hard to spot, but it's there. A way to find wasted space is to examine a house that encloses only the footage it uses. Generally that house will have something this house has: the touch of an architect.

2808
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Henry Norris*
AREA: 1,270 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 27x48 feet



→ This precise, rectangular house turns blank wall toward street (or whatever view you care to minimize). Carport separates house from neighbors.

Storage room takes place of a basement, when home is built on slab. Carport doubles as shelter for entry. A strip window under carport admits light, yet allows privacy.



A NEW WAY OF LIVING COMES TO TOWN

Butterfly roof—distinctive but not brash—flares gently toward street. Three bedrooms look streetward shielded from the flanking houses and sun.

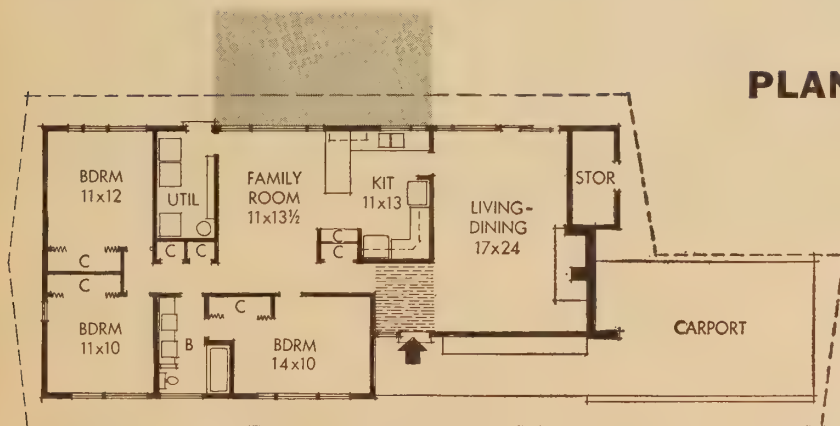
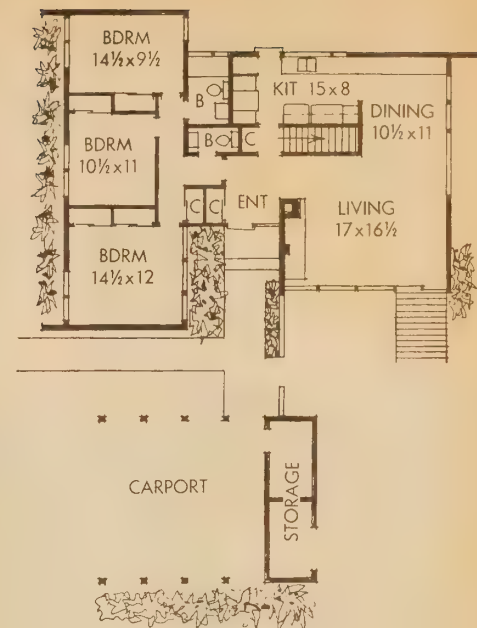
Formal balance and scale are characteristic of successful Contemporary design. Rooms of good size are placed in an excellent traffic pattern setup.

This home was built in an area where houses hew to a firm, Traditional line. There's no compromise of new with old, yet it doesn't war with Traditional surrounding, either.

As it was being built, the house beguiled neighbors as roof beams bent upward and framing forecast something other than "another house." But upon completion, folks gave this Contemporary traditional warm welcome.

2612
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Charles King*
AREA: 1,400 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 69x47 feet



PLANNED TO GROW WITH THE FAMILY

Here's an easy-to-expand rectangular plan that encloses space needed for a family of four. The roof rests entirely on exterior walls and center beam so inside walls can be placed where they're needed and left partially open where desired. Interior can be partitioned to fit family's needs, then changed as family grows.

Outside, house gains individuality with cedar shingles—an old Traditional favorite—used in trim, Contemporary fashion.

Distinctive "ship's prow" gable adds interest to the pleasantly simple lines. Plan can be expanded with a bedroom and bath off end (left), carport doubled in size to house second car and provide storage space, and family room enlarged at the rear.

2703
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Robert Schaefer*
AREA: 1,400 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 28x77 feet

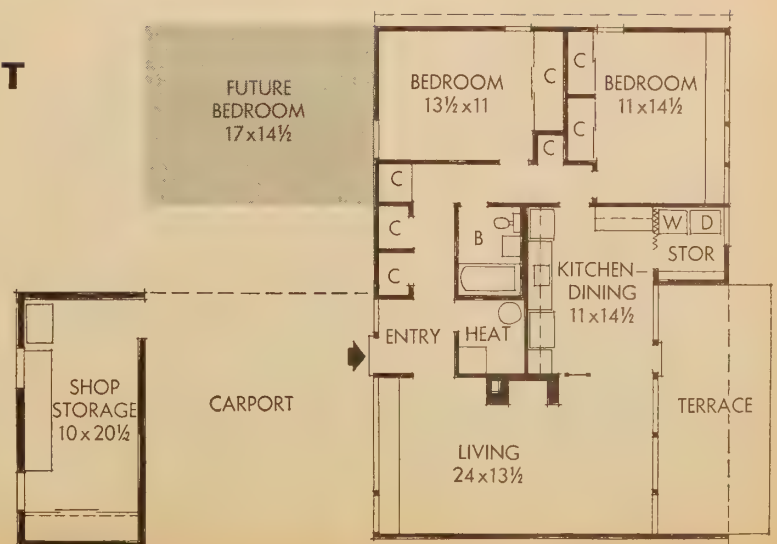
CONTEMPORARY FOR A SHALLOW LOT

We're always being asked, "Where's the house that will fit on a shallow lot?" Here's one good answer: a house that pays close attention to placement on the lot, and gains privacy, view.

Even more to its credit, this house provides for the future. A third bedroom has been planned for—with no change in character of design.

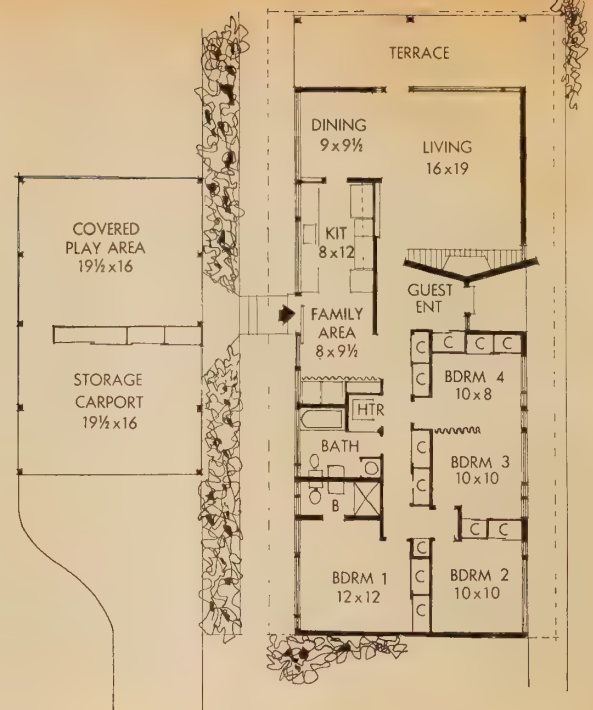
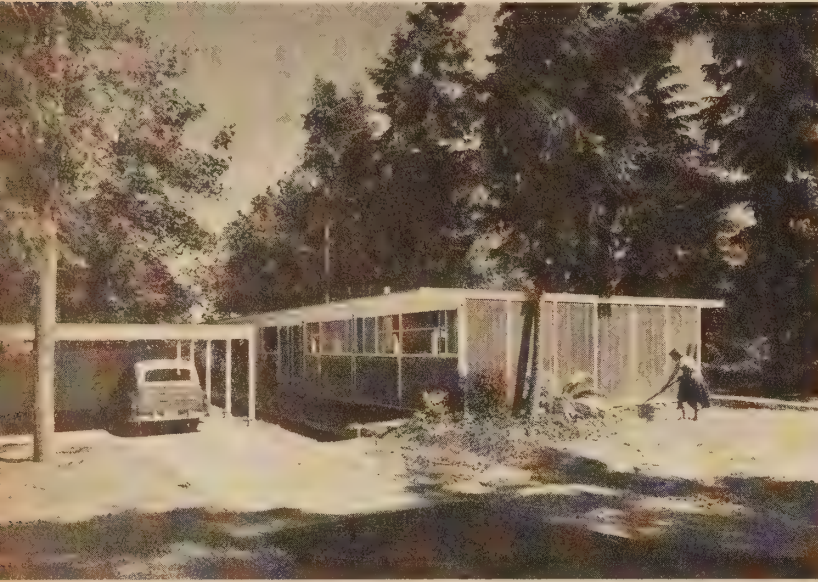
2712
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Lawrence Evanoff*
AREA: 1,238 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 62x44 feet



SIMPLICITY IS KEYNOTE HERE

Good design holds building costs low in this Five Star home. Its well-planned interior is sensible and exciting, combining four bedrooms and abundant living space in 1,500 square feet. Module design and building panels were used for ease of construction.



2411
Five Star Home

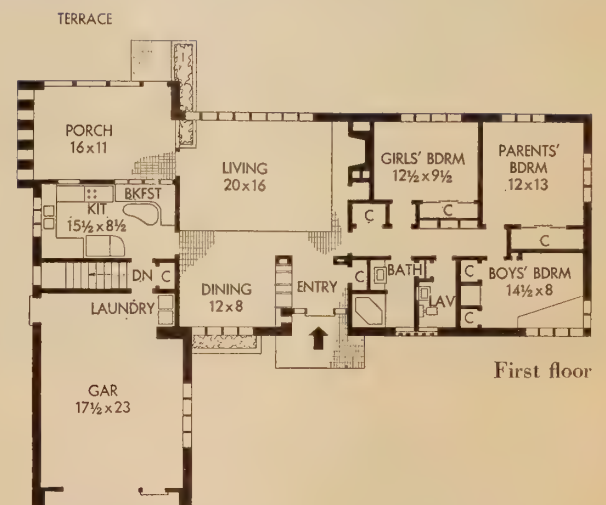
ARCHITECTS: *Bassetti & Morse*
AREA: 1,500 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 60x25 1/2 feet

- ← House can be oriented in any number of ways on its building site. Here it is set so one closed end faces street-side. Wall panels are of cedar siding in this model, but brick or board-and-batten could be used.

YOU CAN BUILD WITH MASONRY

This distinctive house was designed to use masonry not as a thin veneer, but as the basic building material from the lowest course of the foundation up to the eave line. Every outside wall is actually two walls with two inches of insulation in between.

Solid looking yet friendly, Five Star Home 2110 features red brick for exterior walls. Inside, brick and tile masonry is left generously exposed for its real beauty and for easier housekeeping. Home's major traffic lanes are paved with buff brick.



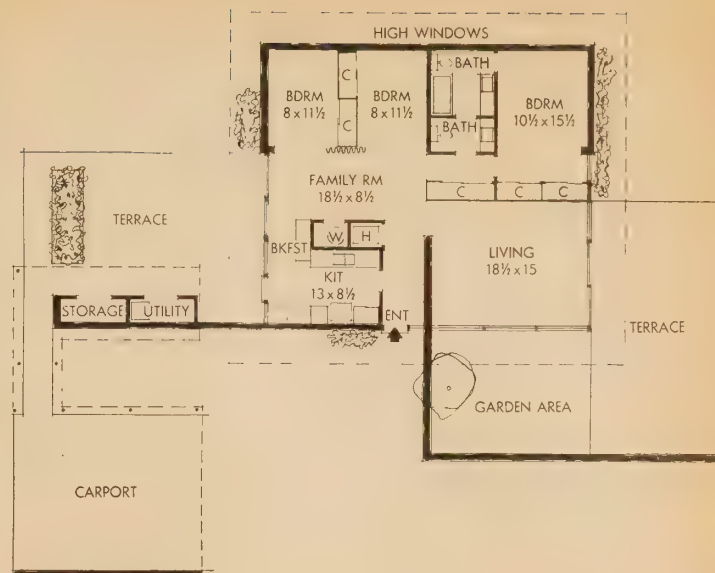
2110
Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: *Wolf and Fitzpatrick*
AREA: 1,580 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 68x50 feet



A HOUSE FOR WARM CLIMATES

This Five Star Home is the product of a detailed series of questions asked homeowners in the Southwest concerning their living habits. Their answers were interpreted into this frankly *regional* house, ideal for warmer parts of the country.



2603 Five Star Home

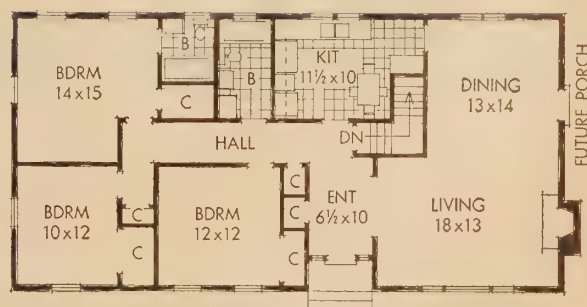
ARCHITECTS: *Bruce-Russell Associates*
AREA: 1,300 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 77x70 feet

← Streetside view of Five Star 2603 is deceiving. Small dimensions (38x34 feet) are made to look larger by unbroken line of roof and high brick wall enclosing terrace and garden. Terrace wall is also a weather barrier.

DESIGNED TO SAVE YOU MONEY

A simple design—yet handsome and complete—this home would fit nicely on most city lots. Board-and-batten siding, single-ridge roof, plumbing grouped together, and rectangular plan mean economical construction. Sloping lot allows walkout basement.

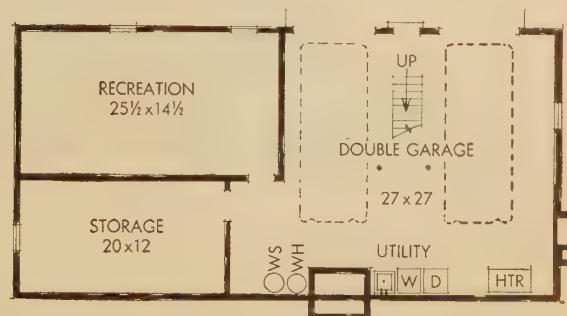
Instead of a hodgepodge of different materials, the architect developed an interesting pattern with siding. To left of entry it's horizontal, then changes to vertical board-and-batten at right. Recessed entry, painted white, gives relief to front.



First floor

2602 Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Henry Gaines*
AREA: 1,540 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 55x28 feet



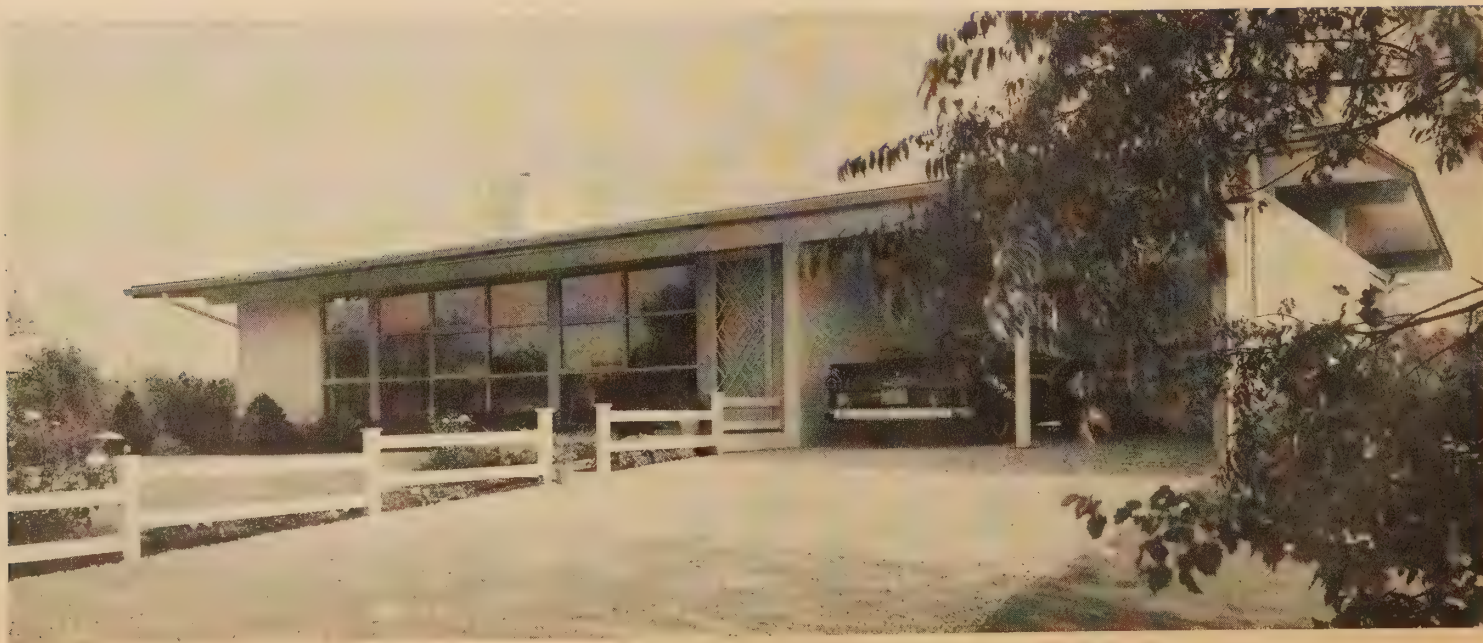
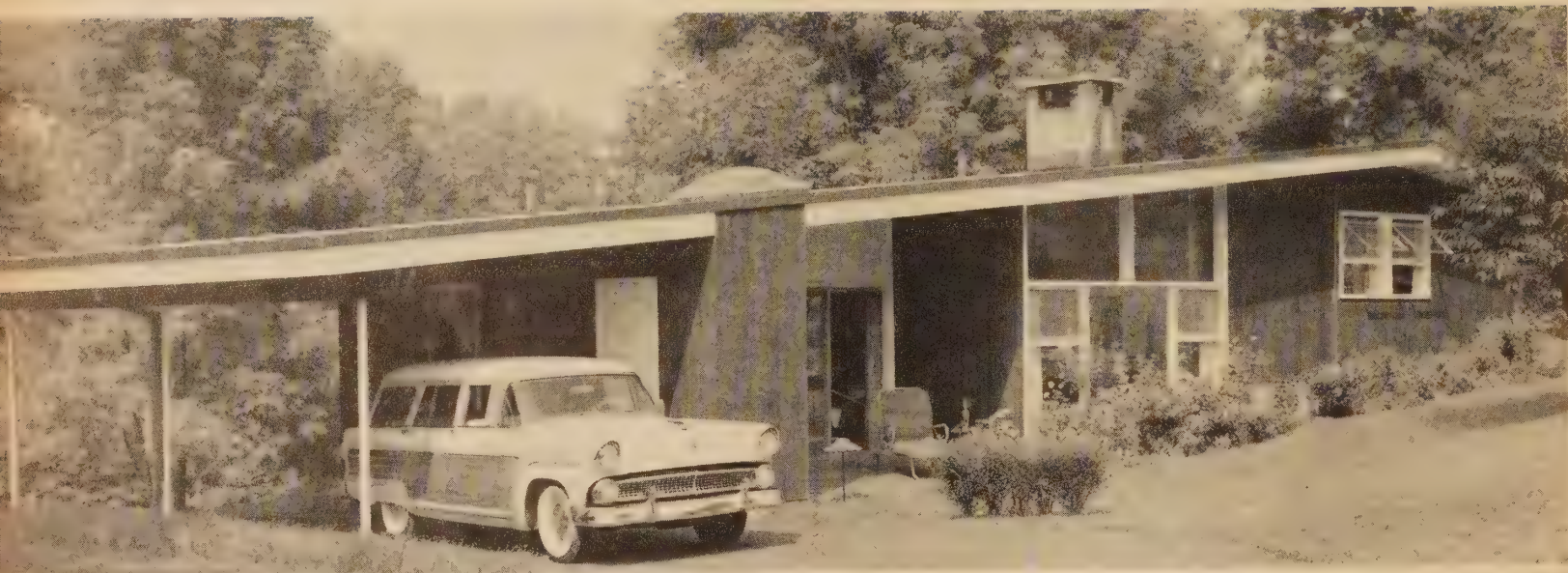
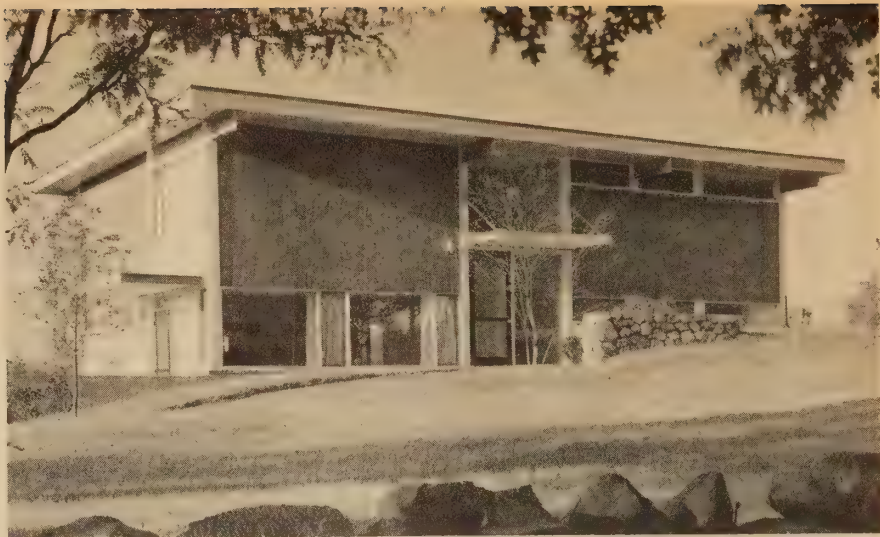
Basement

IT DOUBLES THE SPACE, BUT NOT THE COST

When you talk of simply enclosing space for living, the two-story house comes to mind first. Dollar cost per square foot is minimum; so's the land you devote to building. This home may be just right for your large family.

2805
Five Star Home

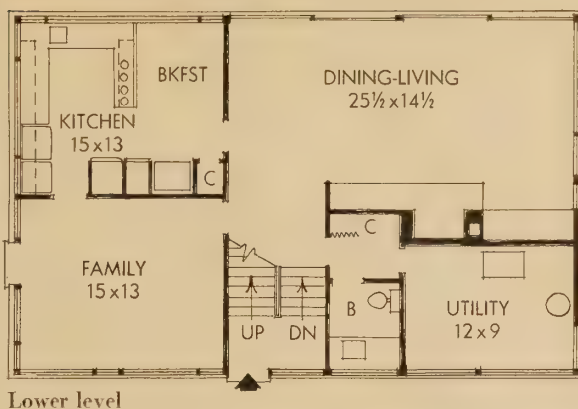
ARCHITECT: *Architects Collaborative*
AREA: *2,268 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *42x27 feet*



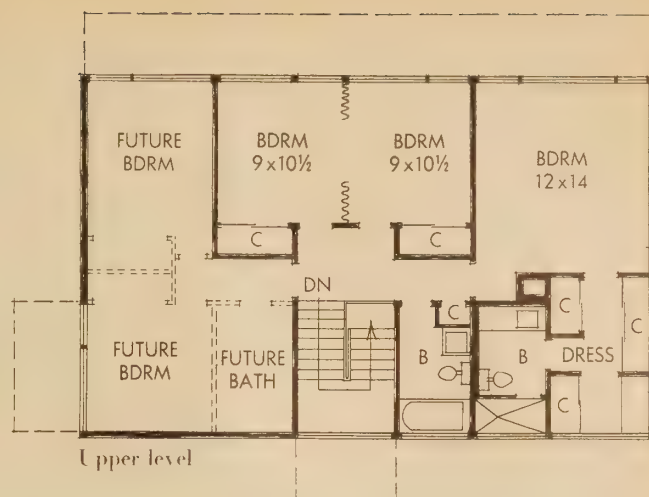
Front of house has center entry, set into neat frame extending the full height of both stories. You enter on a landing midway between living and sleeping levels.

Front door and entrance to family room are sheltered by same style canopy that shades living room.

Walkway from front door leads to garage.

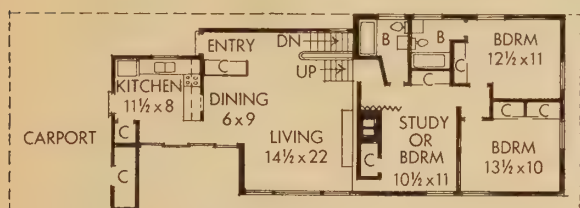


Lower level

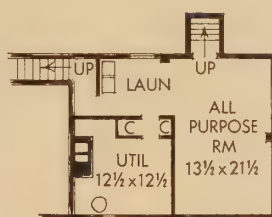


Upper level

A handsome split-level house that combines convenience, economy, space—all in a single package



Upper levels



Lower levels

Designer of this house achieved a handsome exterior—back as well as front. View from back yard of private, inset terrace and living room shows how simple and uncluttered split-level can be. It's a result of long, clean lines and use of a single siding material.

TRI-LEVEL LIVING AND GOOD LOOKS TOO

This rectangular, split-level plan offers neat separation of living, sleeping, play. Yet, it's economical and easy to get around in with a minimum of stair climbing. It's a versatile design that makes the most of any site you're likely to find—in good living and good looks.

2806

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: Kenneth Gibbons

AREA: 1,990 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 73x24 feet

A SMALL HOUSE WITH PLENTY OF SPARKLE

Many families—old and young—are seeking a small house that's easy to care for as well as distinctive.

This home, a compact rectangle of just over 1,000 square feet, is such a home. There are two bedrooms with space for a third. Plus, many *bigger* house features.

2807

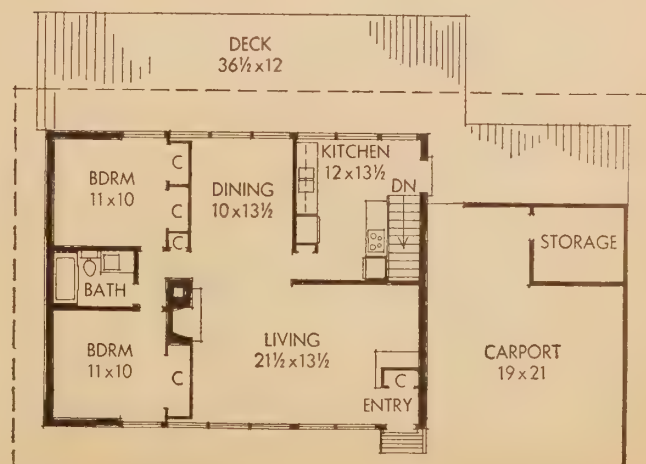
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: Edward Dart

AREA: 1,036 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 28x56 feet

Changing family needs are foreseen years ahead in this versatile plan. When family grows dining room converts to a third bedroom



Today's rose-bordered cottage at the end of the lane is warm, gracious, superbly simple. Neat exterior seems longer, lower beneath the unbroken lines of the roof.

It's a home designed to match a small budget and cut housekeeping costs. Whether you stay 3 years or 30, your investment will grow along with you.

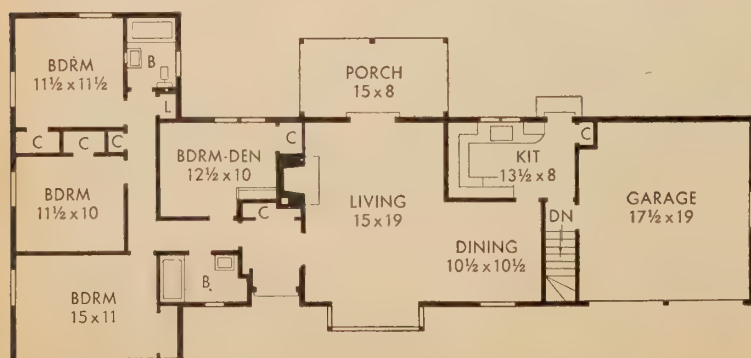


Narrow siding, long line of roof, and attached double garage all help to extend horizontal lines of this attractive home. Louvered shutters, large muntin bar view window, and double doors at entrance

add a distinct Traditional flavor. Conservative styling will keep this Five Star fresh looking for years. Its plan is flexible enough to adjust to any size family—large, small, or growing.

CONSERVATIVE STYLING, MODERN PLANNING GIVE HOME LASTING VALUE

Central entry divides plan into active and quiet areas



What qualities set off the easy-to-live-in house from the mediocre shelter? Obviously the comfortable home should be big enough for your family to grow in, yet small enough to be easy to care for. But most important, the livable house gives you complete living facilities with a workable floor plan.

This attractive home does all that and more. It seems to go out of its way to promote privacy. The plan divides nicely into active and quiet areas with the central entry hall positioned to distribute traffic to either area. At the end of the living room sliding glass doors open to a screened porch—ideal for summer entertaining.

The study is dual-purpose space. Located just inside the bedroom hall, it converts to family area or guest bedroom.

2106
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: Philip Jewell
AREA: 1,526 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 78½ x 37 feet



The rear or "downhill" side of house shows advantages of exposed basement. Windows and glass doors bring daylight and fresh air into this level. Terrace just outside activity room is just the spot

for informal summer cookouts. Upper level is stained fir, with white trim to contrast with the receding white concrete block wall below. Four large view windows light living room.

Two levels give you four bedrooms in budget space

TWO-LEVEL LIVING CUTS BUILDING COSTS

Though this home has four bedrooms, plus other features made to order for a large, active family, it's not expensive or site-devouring.

The "basement" here gives you advantages that a normal basement can't—it's fully exposed on one side for light, view, and ventilation. Space on this level is just as valuable as that above.

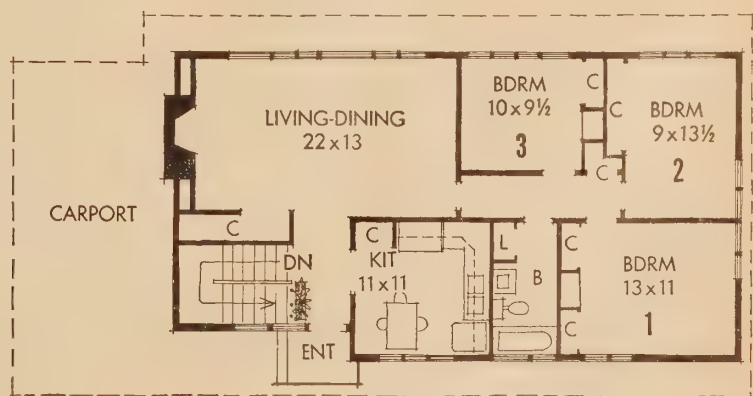
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Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: William Hecker

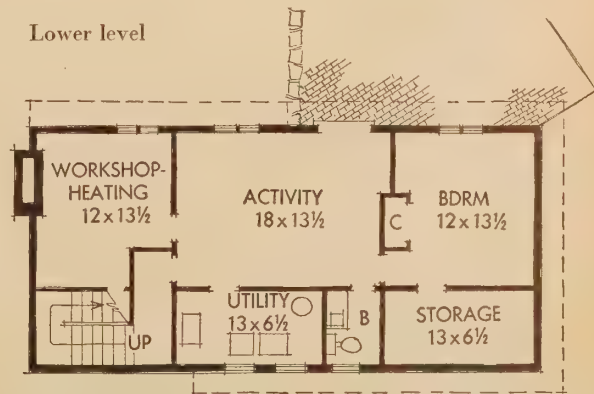
AREA: 2,242 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 26x46 feet



Upper level

Lower level



Here's the sort of simplicity that reduces building costs, yet lets this house stand out in an unaffected and neighborly way. Carport roof, a projection of gable, is supported by steel pipes.



A LOW COST, LIVABLE HOUSE FOR A SMALL FAMILY

With its trim looks and conventional lines this little house would fit into any neighborhood. As shown here, it has a cedar shake roof, brown-stained clapboard siding. The design would lend itself to a number of siding combinations.



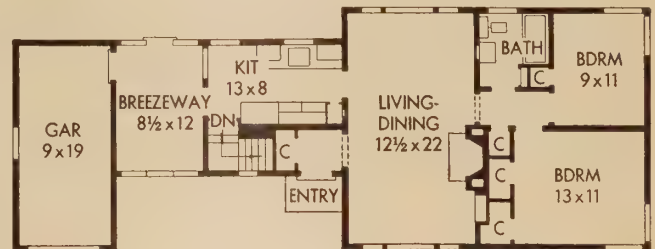
Architect Dysland cut construction costs of this Five Star home in three ways: The major part of the house is a simple rectangle—the most economical shape to build; roofs are kept simple—every extra ridge or valley in a roof costs more; and because standard lengths of lumber can be used there is little wastage of material. To you these savings mean more house for less money.

While this obviously is not a large house, its livability is derived from careful arrangement of rooms and small space devoted to hallways.

1904
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: Henry Dysland
AREA: 962 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 62x23 feet

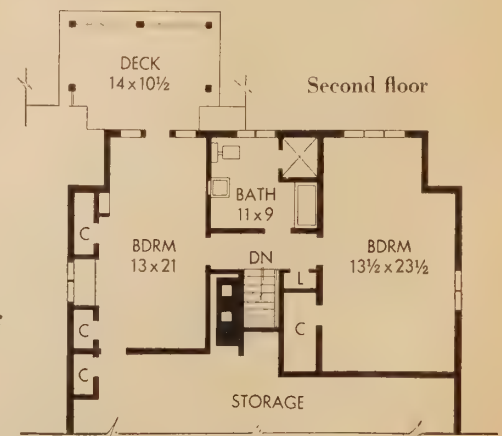
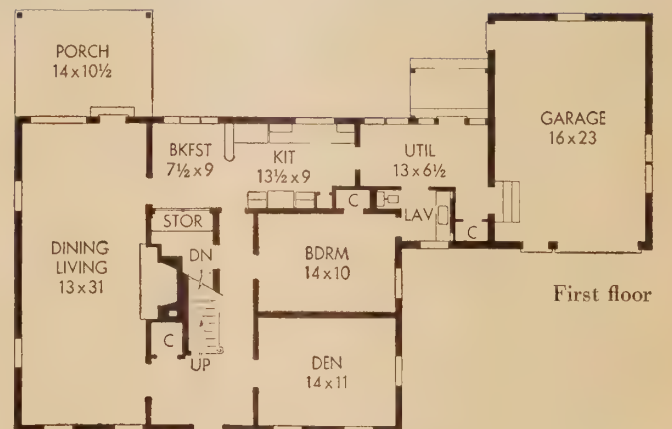
Plan is divided for living, service, sleeping



FAMILY-STYLED CAPE COD WITH A MODERN TOUCH

This story-and-a-half Traditional home will be popular for many years to come. And rightly so. It's more economical to build than a one-story house; you get more floor space on a small lot, and upstairs bedrooms have greater privacy.

Solid-looking, homey, and neat as a freshly cut lawn — these were the three main objectives behind the exterior of this house. Rear reveals what the unbroken roof on front conceals—a broad dormer that adds light and air to upstairs.



Privacy and low cost space in a story-and-a-half

2012
Five Star Home

DESIGNER: J. W. Hoge
AREA: 1,601 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 60x43 feet

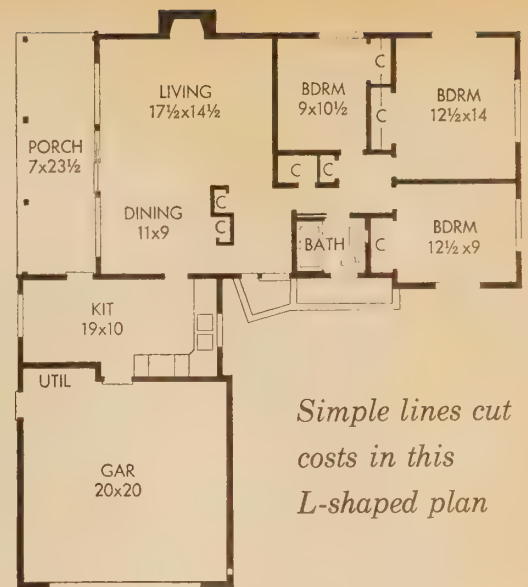


A fine house to look at and to live in—that's a good description of Five Star 2101. The garage, positioned up front, shelters living room and porch at side from view of street. Kitchen opens directly to porch for informal meals.

YOU'LL WANT TO STUDY THIS COST-CONSCIOUS PLAN

2101
Five Star Home

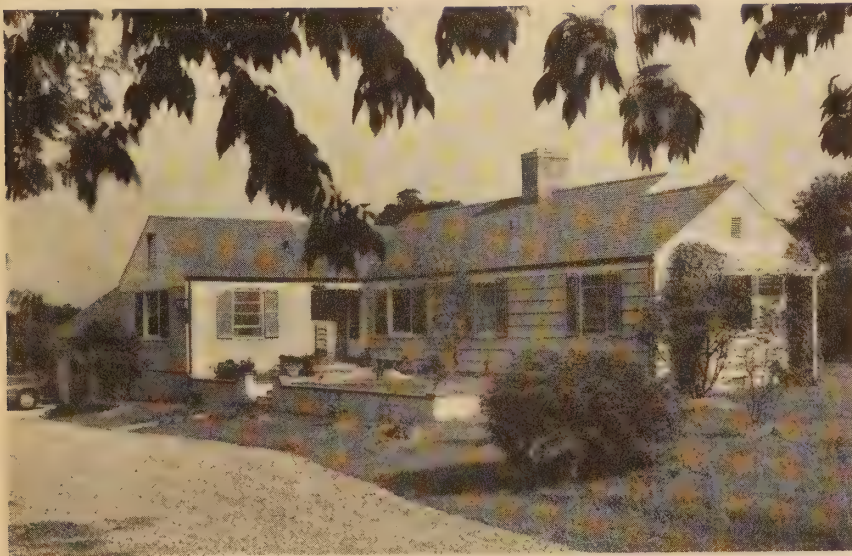
ARCHITECT: *Edwin Wadsworth*
AREA: *1,216 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *50x56 feet*



Simple lines cut costs in this L-shaped plan

Pleasing appearance and a fine plan are probably the two major features you're looking for in a new home. But it's only natural you want to get the most house for your building dollar, too.

Study this home carefully with those characteristics in mind. Compare it with other houses its size. You'll find here a lot of house for the money.

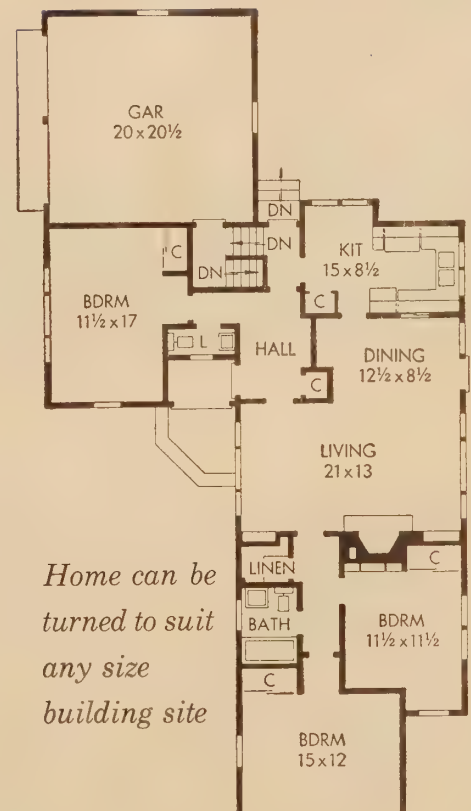


Simplicity of line and excellent use of two exterior materials—double shingles and board-and-batten—make this Five Star home look at ease in its setting. Garage is three steps lower in this model because building site slopes to rear.

DUAL PURPOSE SPACE KEYNOTES THIS FINE PLAN

2007
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Walter Kirby*
AREA: *1,513 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *41x80 feet*



Home can be turned to suit any size building site

Flexible is the word for this house. Inside, the bedroom near the entry serves a dual purpose space. Outside, the house can be turned to fit any size site—even a 50-foot lot.

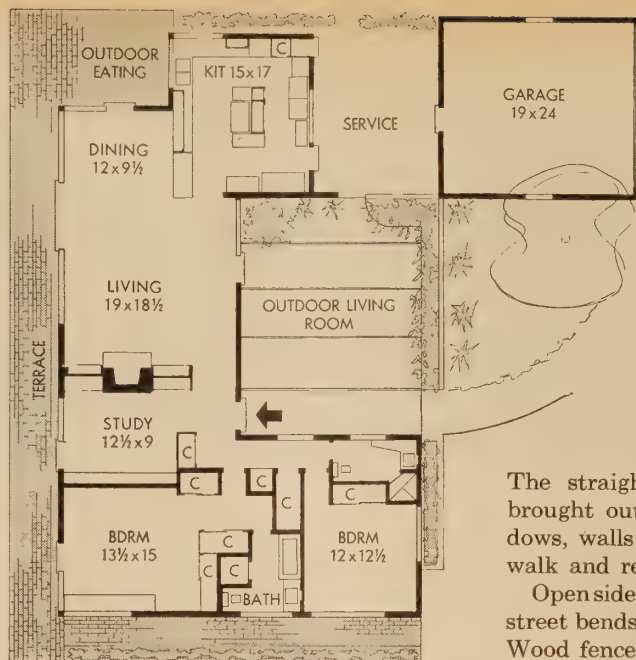
THIS OPEN PLAN WRAPS AROUND A TERRACE

High costs have brought about open planning to make medium and small rooms seem larger. But in this Five Star home open planning is accepted for its convenience, efficiency, and beauty. It is combined with large areas of glass to bring nature inside.

2303

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Chalfant Head*
AREA: 1,728 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 66x64 feet



The straight-lined roof is brought out to shade windows, walls; also to shelter walk and rear sitting area.

Open side of U-plan facing street bends around terrace. Wood fence adds privacy.



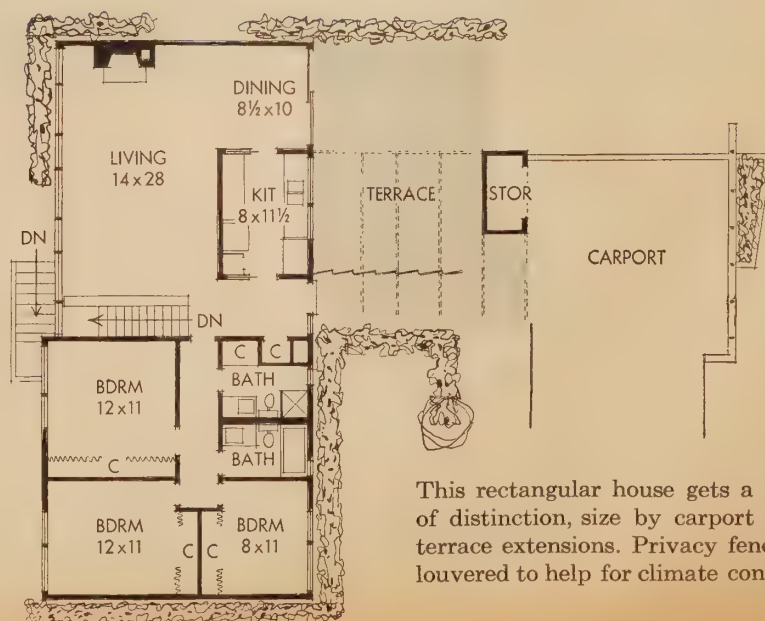
LOOK CLOSELY, IT CAN MAKE YOU WANT A NEW HOUSE

Maximum space, convenience are packed into this home—and in just 1,287 square feet. Economies result from research planning and design rather than cramped rooms, cheap construction. Simple materials, tastefully used, assure a sound home at low costs.

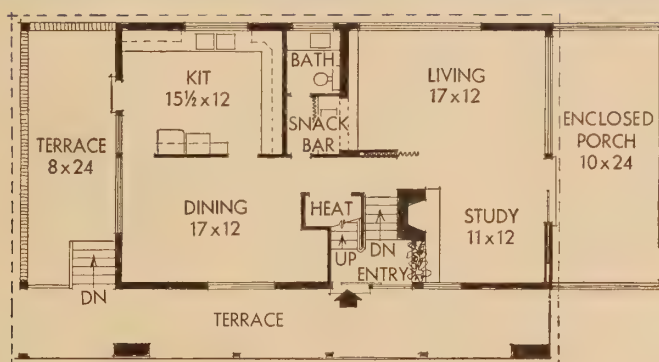
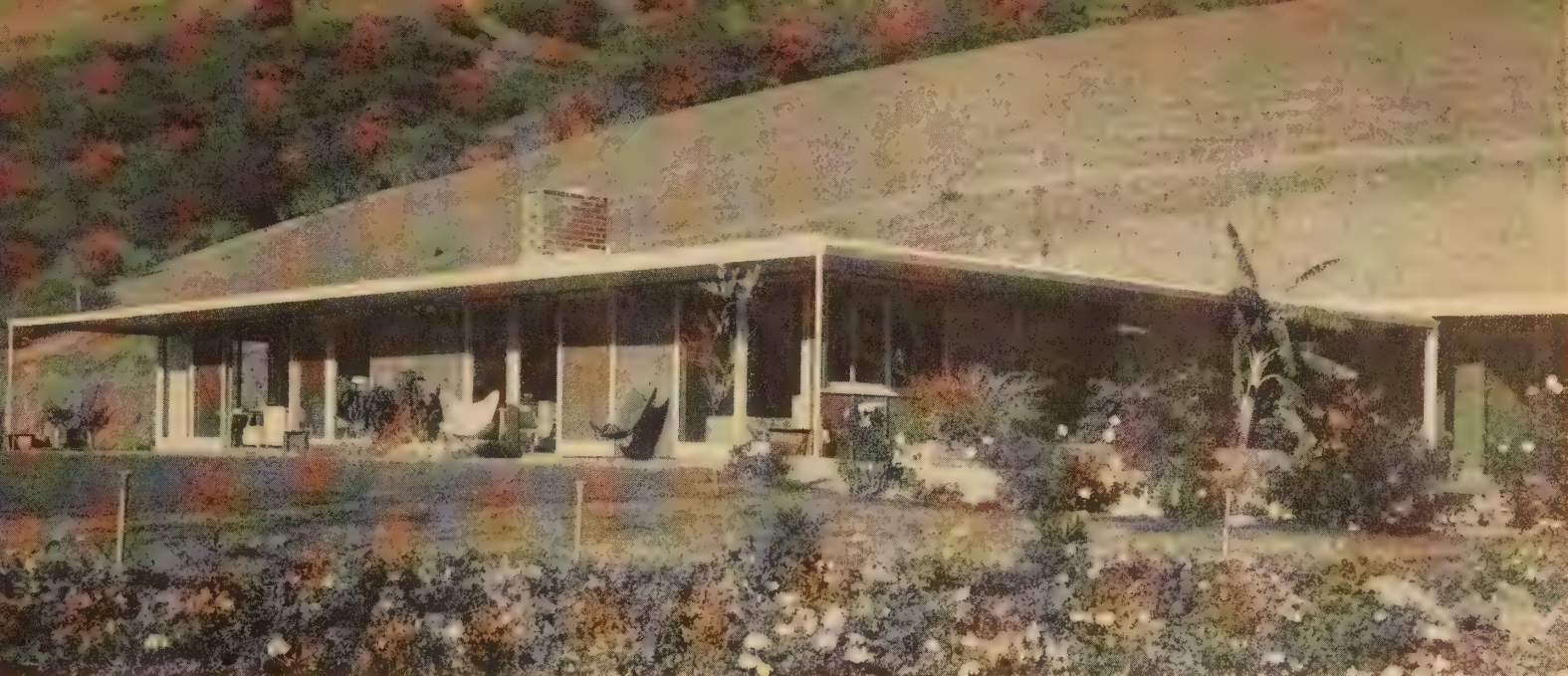
2506

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Robert Little*
AREA: 1,287 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 53x25 feet



This rectangular house gets a look of distinction, size by carport and terrace extensions. Privacy fence is louvered to help for climate control.

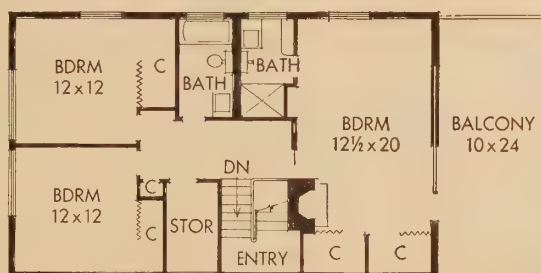


TURF HIDES FOUR FEET OF HANDSOME TWO STORY

Though it looks like a one-story structure, this home is actually a full two stories high. The big advantage is that with the first floor four feet below grade, you utilize space that's dug for foundation. There's fine separation of activities, too.

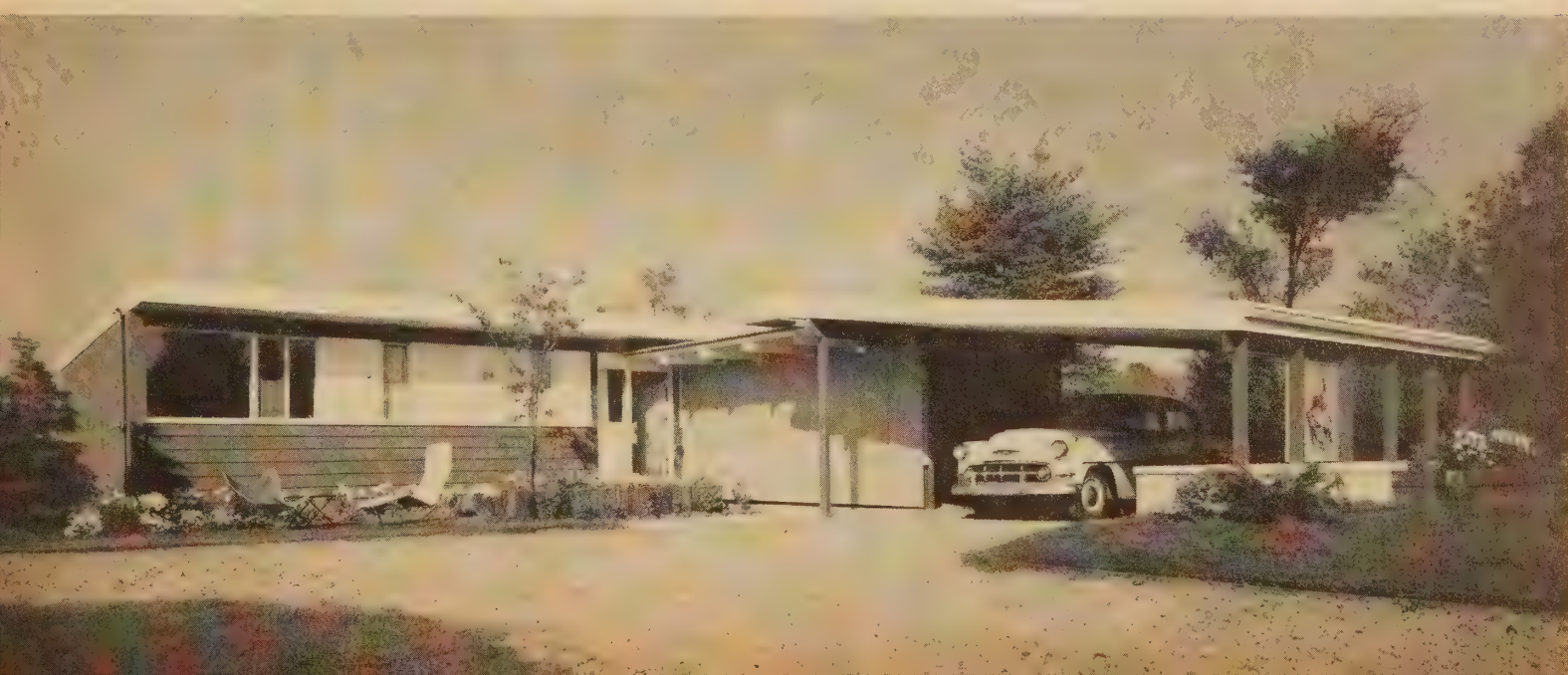
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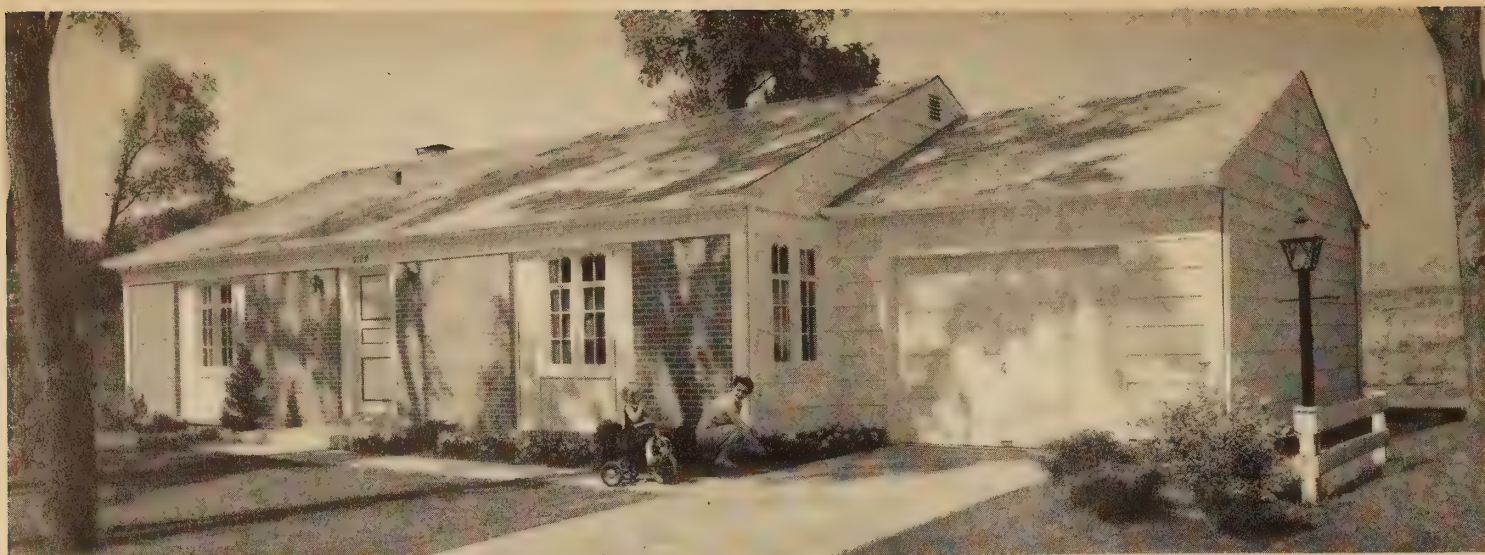
DESIGNER: *Cyril Farny*
AREA: 1,920 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 40x25 feet



Main entry is below grade level, halfway between floors to minimize stair climbing.

Bedrooms are more remote from noise and traffic of the living areas than in a one-story house.





Popular brick, traditional windows, and center entry each fill a neatly confined block of space, stretching from sill to eave. They blend into a simple picture that is sure to suit lovers of conservative

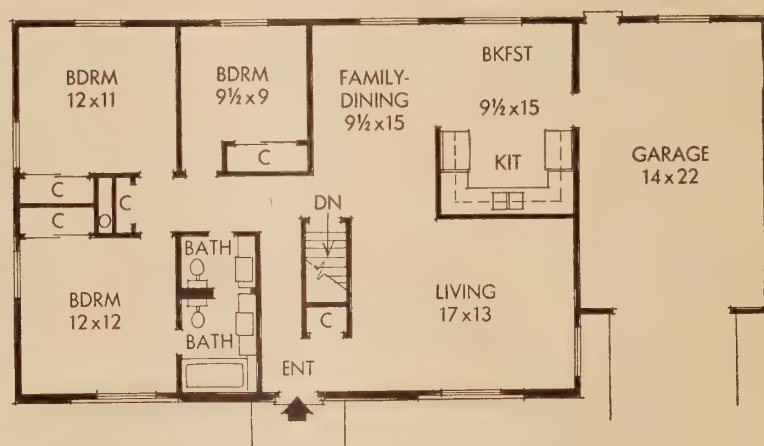
design; also people who like the freshness of modern lines. Here's style that will be "up-to-date" for years. Its rectangular plan, which does away with unnecessary niches, cuts costs.

A SMALL HOUSE THAT WILL DO A BIG JOB FOR YOUR FAMILY

Study the picture above and the floor plan at right—you'll quickly see that Five Star home 2812 brings good looks and good living together in an attention-getting way.

As a design, this house is remarkable because it blends in—just about anywhere. You can picture it in a new subdivision, on a secluded, woodsy hilltop, or in a neighborhood of older, established houses.

Central entry is key to plan. From there twin paths lead either to bedrooms or to living areas. Outside, basic elements of home's handsome face come down to you through years of home building. Yet, everything adds up to a fresh, new fashion.



2812
Five Star Home

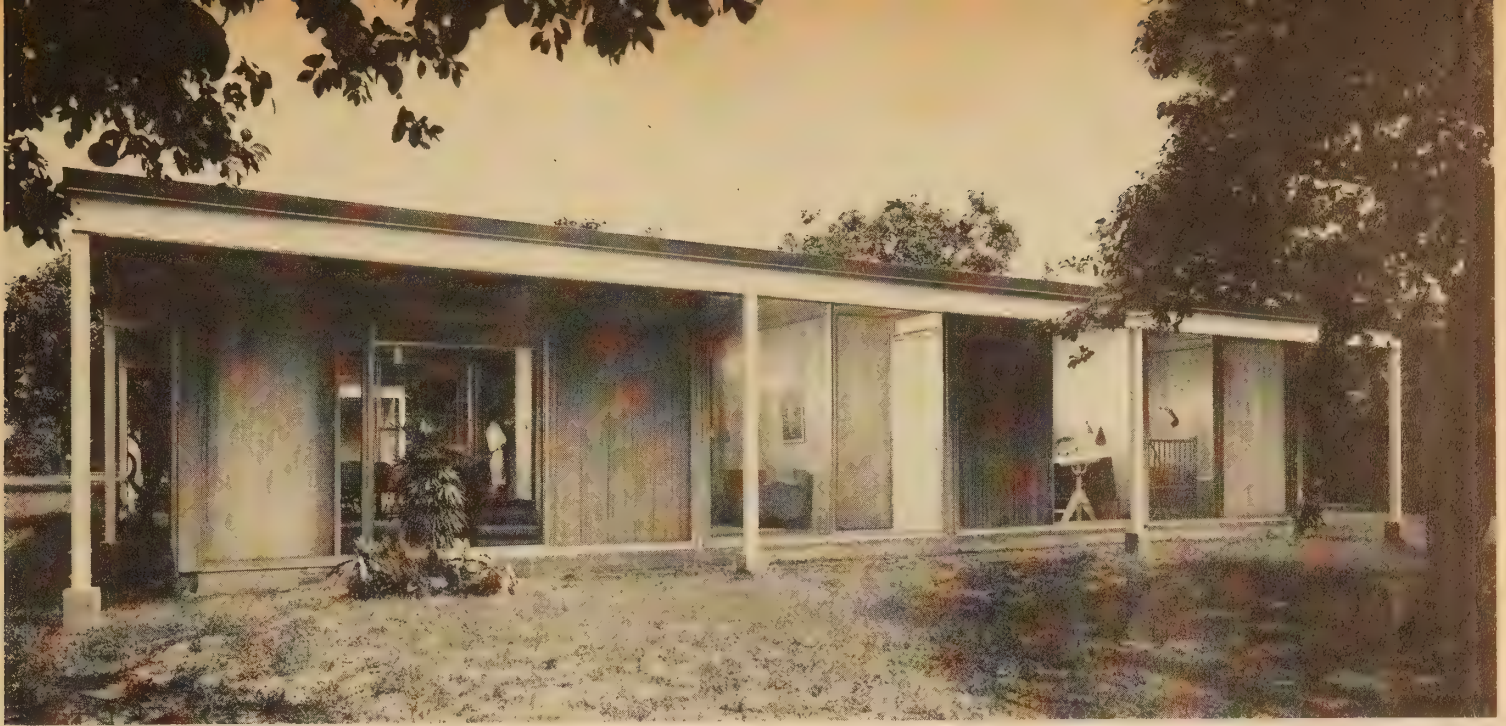
DESIGNER: *Robert Flood*
AREA: 1,247 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 28x56 feet



Back of house is simple, inexpensive horizontal siding. Rear slope of roof extends to cover garage without expensive step. Door leads through corner of garage (good as children's "mud" room), past kitchen to family room.



From family-dining area you can see the relationship and *individuality* of the living room, kitchen, and this all-purpose room. To right is bedroom hall with stairs down to a full basement. Door in kitchen opens to garage. Kitchen has spot for eating, too.



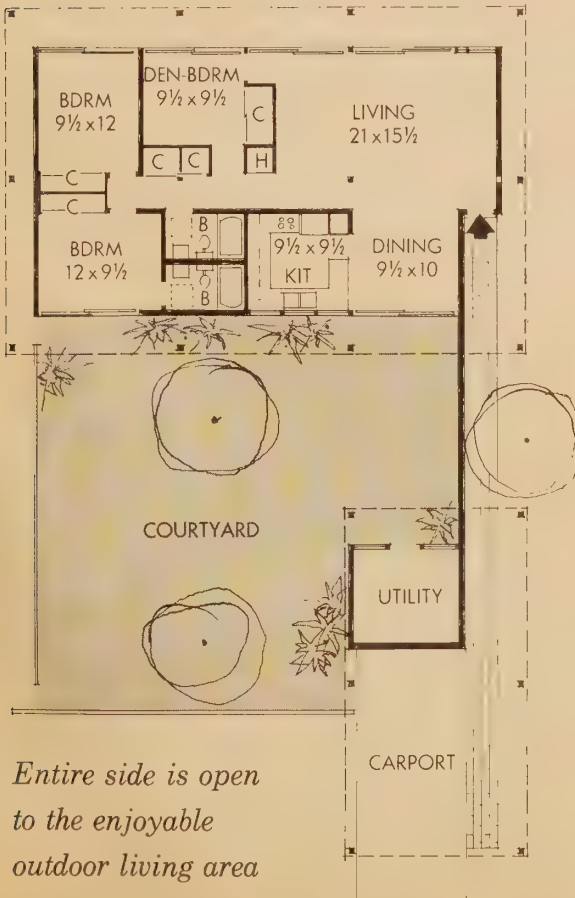
There's complete freedom in choosing exterior wall materials for this house. Posts, not walls, bear weight of roof. Across back, glass is lined up in procession of fixed and sliding units, to open living

room, study, and child's bedroom to back yard. Families will like this home's costly-looking style and space; also the simple plan and modern materials that cut housekeeping time.

AN EXCITING NEW WAY TO BUILD YOUR HOME

2901
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Gene Leedy*
AREA: 1,144 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 44x26 feet



Framing of this house shows a new use of familiar post-and-beam. Posts go *outside* to rest on concrete piers. No walls—not even the exteriors—support the roof.

Instead, walls are non-loadbearing “screens.” They can be placed wherever room planning requires, and be composed of any material you care to use. (Here, glass, wood, and concrete block alternate.) Construction is simplified; all beams are the same size and length.

Utility room in foreground matches house precisely, with sheltering overhang that rests on exterior post-and-pier. Enclosed courtyard is a delight for informal entertaining or for use by family alone.





Garage is two panels wide, $27\frac{1}{2}$ feet deep. It's oversize so it can be used for storage or workshop. There're panel-wide windows in rear. Breezeway is open now, but under roof for eventual enclosure by 9-foot 8-inch panel sections. Area will give owners spacious family

room or porch. Home costs less to build without a basement, but a greater reward is in the convenience of ground level laundry, heating, storage room. Few families need as much space as usual basement provides; utility room is more efficient.

NOW YOU CAN BUILD A BETTER HOUSE FOR LESS MONEY



Five Star 2704 from rear shows variety possible in use of modular panels—painted plywood, plywood and glass, all glass. Posts and beams outline each section.

Living-dining area has glassed panels. South sun heats this big room during winter months, while roof overhang cuts off summer sun.

Five Star Home 2704 is a house of many ideas that apply in dozens of ways to assure the builder that his house will be in keeping with houses built in years to come.

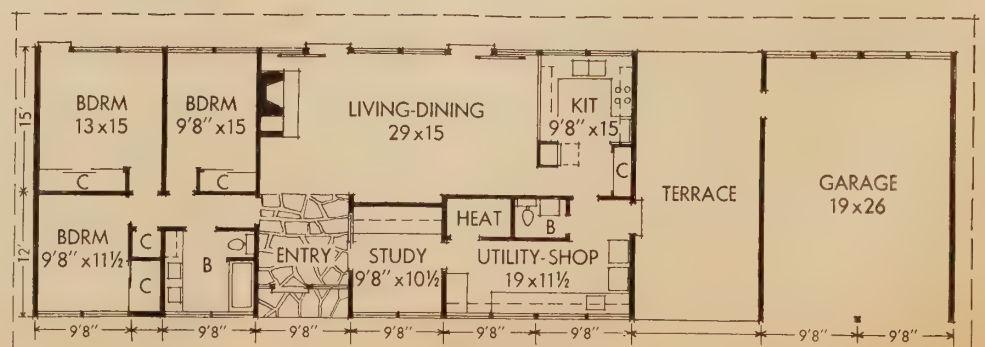
It's a panel-built house. Exterior walls are built in a series of identical-size sections. Each section is 9 feet 8 inches wide, all partitions are built on a module.

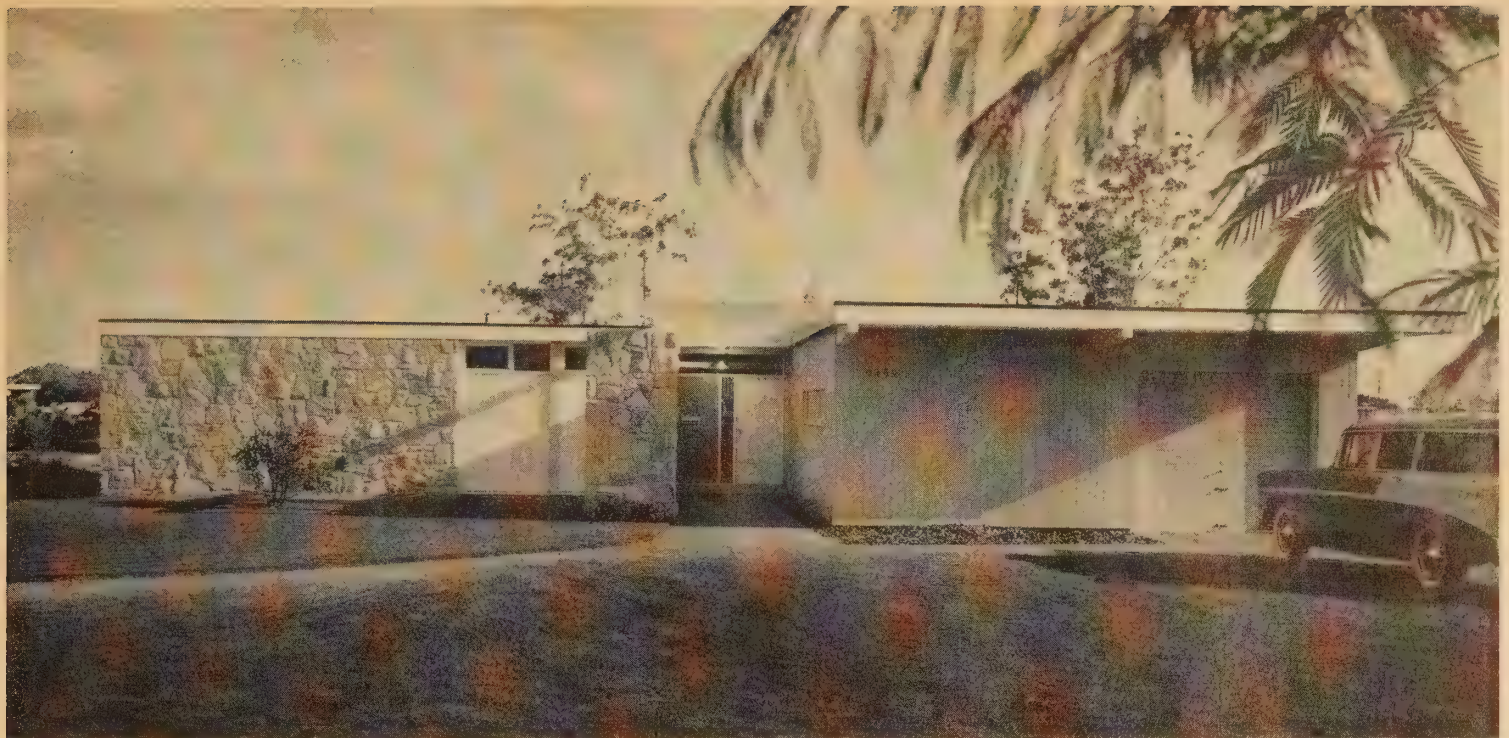
Post-and-beam construction was used with the panels. This allows free use of space since interior walls are not needed to support the roof. Posts left exposed, frame panels of glass and plywood.

It's easier, less costly to expand with post, beam, and panel system. New space is enclosed by adding more posts and beams on panel module at either end of house.

2704
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Glen Paulsen*
AREA: 1,647 square feet
DIMENSIONS: $27\frac{1}{2} \times 97\frac{1}{2}$ feet





Five Star Home 2705 started with the space a family needs now—with ideas that give a house value in living and in your investment when it comes time to sell. Building materials you've seen used alone many times before are used here in combination. Each exterior

section is carefully unified to avoid great clashing pattern. Stone veneer forms one unit, but stops at window openings which the architect treated as individual panels of glass and painted exterior plywood. Streetside privacy is excellent.

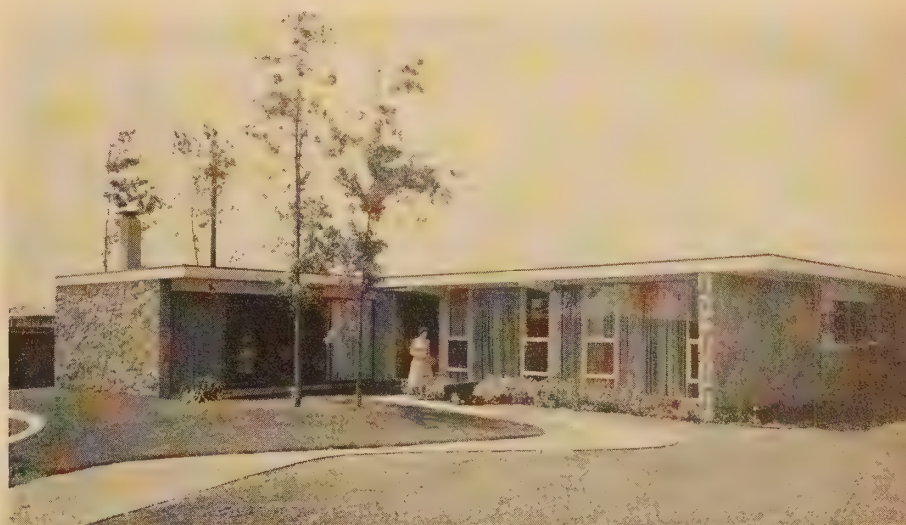
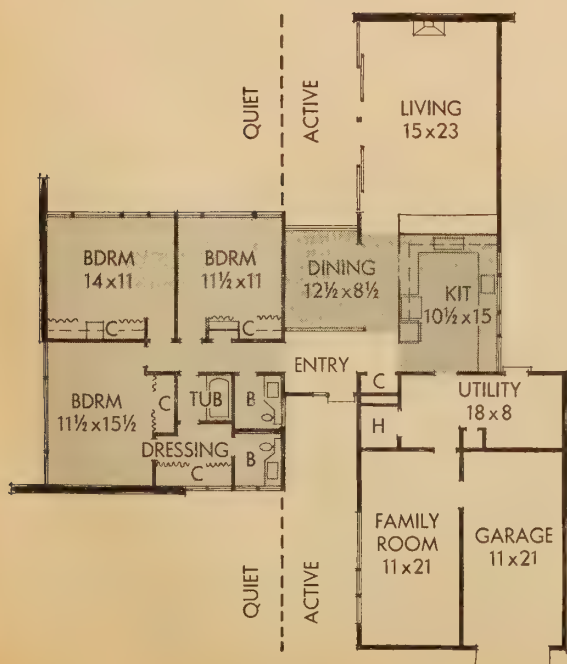
A NEW WAY OF LIVING IN A ZONE-PLANNED HOME

2705
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Donald Honn*
AREA: 1,514 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 69x59 feet

Zoning, one of the soundest advances in good planning in recent years, adds to this home's livability. Every house has three basic areas: sleeping, living, working. Too often, that's where zoning stops. Here, zoning is developed well beyond this casual separation. Still, it isn't a large house: 1,514 square feet without garage.

When you study the plan you'll recognize five distinct zones carefully worked out within active and quiet sides of the house—entrance, living room, sleeping area, working-dining area, and service-play area.



Plan is L-shaped, giving outdoor and indoor living areas uncommon privacy and shelter. View like this emphasizes wide separation of activity and quiet areas. Window wall of sleeping wing is at lower end of L (at right); living room, kitchen, and family areas are across the top.



Projecting living-room wing creates protected L on each side. Adjoining "living" terrace is part of informal area — porch, family room.

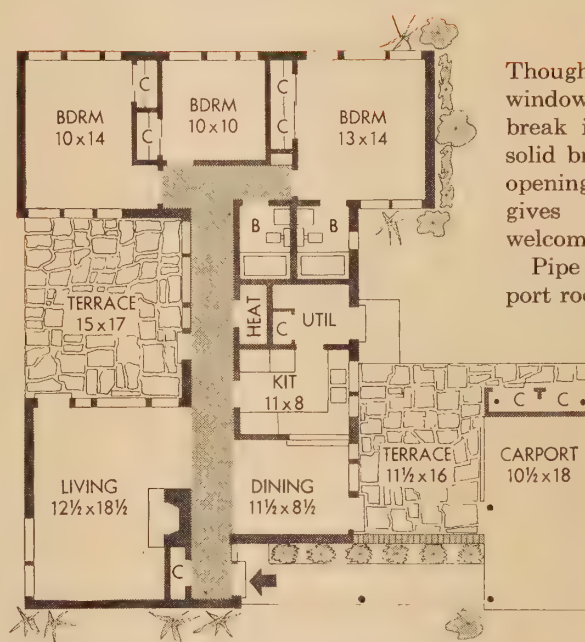
A HOUSE THAT GIVES YOU BUILT-IN PRIVACY

Privacy is where you make it. That may be on a narrow city lot or a wide-open country acreage. But only when you plan for privacy do you get it. Five Star 2304 was planned for privacy—inside and outside. Terraces are positioned away from public view. Front of house has few openings facing street.

2304

Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: *Finch & Barnes*
AREA: 1,479 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 54x52 feet

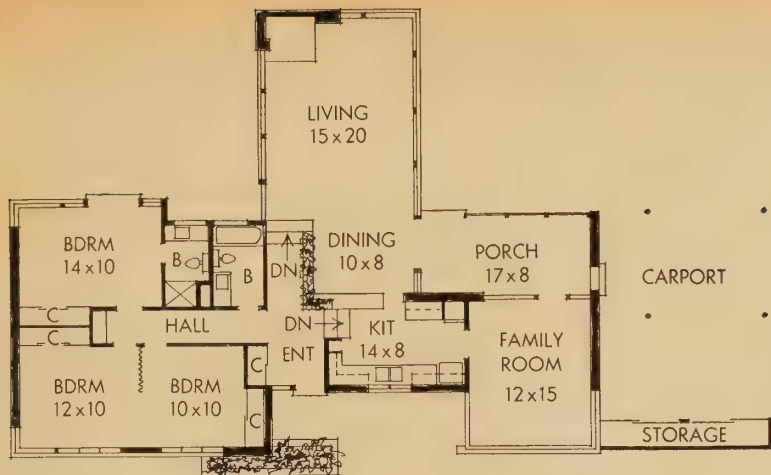


Though three high windows are only break in this home's solid brick front, roof opening over terrace gives the necessary welcoming touch.

Pipe columns support roof extension.

Large windows on this long, low side of house face rear yard, terrace and garden. Two bedrooms, living and dining rooms open here.





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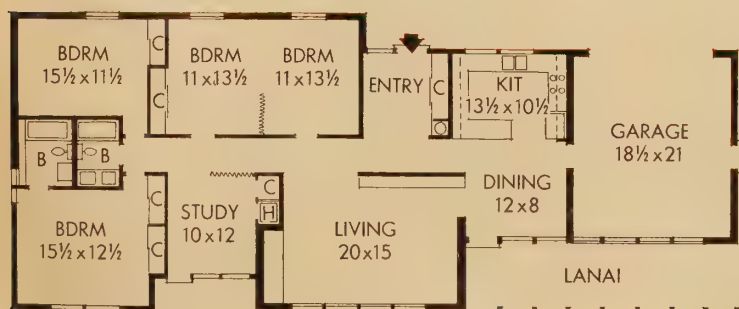
Five Star Home

DESIGNER: *Don Young*
 AREA: 1,511 square feet
 DIMENSIONS: 75x44 feet

WRAP THIS PLAN IN ANY COVER YOU LIKE

The plan's *the* thing in living the way you like. It should develop from your family's needs. Around a good basic plan, many attractive exterior designs can emerge.

Planning comes alive in this handsome Five Star home. You see at once benefits in better circulation, more usable space—even in an option to build the house in stages. Zoned living, sleeping, and family-activity areas are basic—not accidental—in this successful “better” house. Though modern in concept, the home displays warmth and friendliness of design.



2801

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Robert Hausner*
 AREA: 2,120 square feet
 DIMENSIONS: 82x35 feet

HERE IT IS— A FIVE BEDROOM HOUSE

If yours is a large or growing family you'll want to study this Five Star home. Rooms you will find are versatile, with the magic space expander—openness—greatly enhancing the home's apparent size.

The open plan has good traffic separation with curtain-wall in bedroom-study, folding wall between children's rooms, and built-in wall defining the living-kitchen area.

Five Star Home 2902 is as pleasant at the rear as it is in front. Windows of the same size were used wherever possible around house.

High peak of roof gains attic storage space (reached through pull-down stair in bedroom hall). Windows on either end of the house help to keep attic free from hot air in summer. This is essential for economical air conditioning.

Gable roof on the porch makes this area an important part of house design.



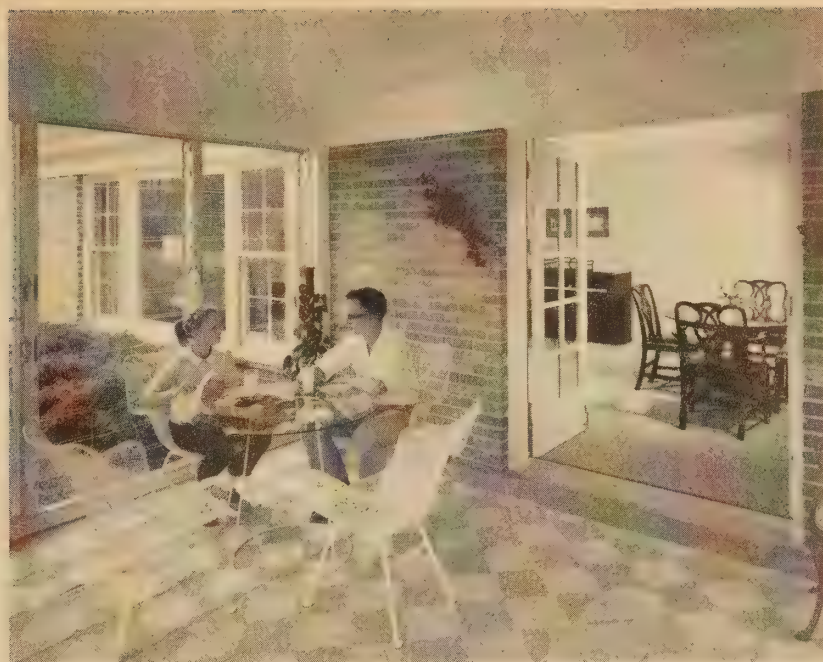
SEE WHAT TRADITIONAL MEANS

Really *good* Traditional design today is hard to find. True, many houses go by that name. But most are little more practical today than the log cabin.

And no wonder. People don't live the way their Colonial forebears did. We like a freedom to move around inside—and to go outdoors when we please.

Bricks and boards, shutters and high-pitched roof—all make this handsome house a just-right home. The L-shape is compact yet spacious-looking. It adapts to a 75-foot city lot—or a country acre or more. Large family-styled rooms make it a home to be comfortable in.





Family enjoys an afternoon snack on their wonderfully livable porch. Screens on three sides open this area to outdoors; jalousie windows make the porch usable nearly all year. French doors open to living-dining area.

And we do want simple, timeless design.

Here's the Traditional look most of us like best. This house has the space and convenience that go with a modern, up-to-date floor plan. And it displays the wonderful charm—inside and out—that a warm and inviting house ought to have.

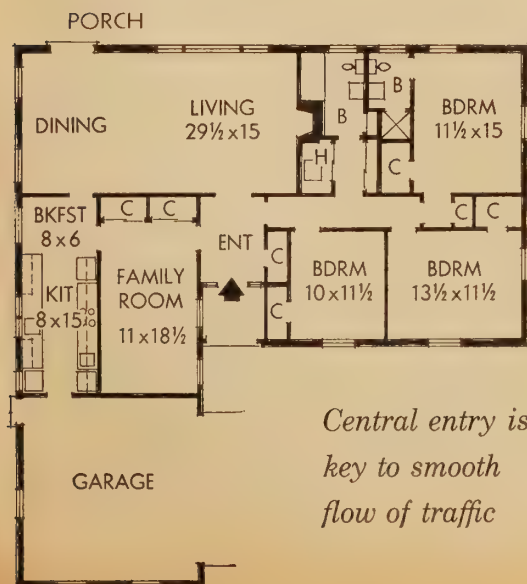
2902

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: James Schnur

AREA: 1,941 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 55x61 feet



Central entry is key to smooth flow of traffic

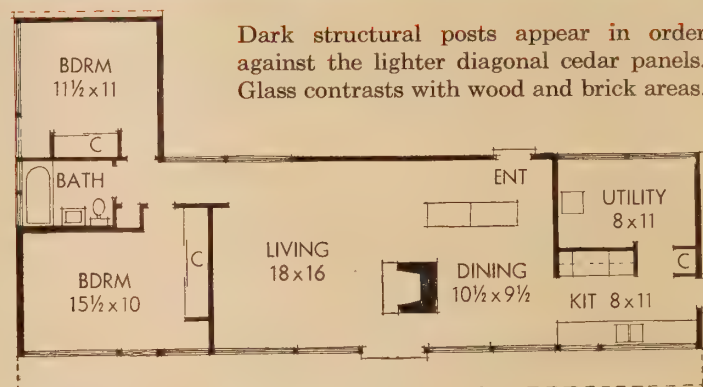




A NEW WAY TO BUILD A GOOD SMALL HOUSE

Living space in this home is planned to tempt the imagination as to what lies beyond each area. Though the actual total area is small, abundant use of glass adds the outdoors to space inside.

Open planning is made possible through post and beam—a simplified method of construction. Load-bearing walls inside are not necessary. Rooms or activities can be freely organized without chopping the limited space into hopeless cubicles.



Dark structural posts appear in order → against the lighter diagonal cedar panels. Glass contrasts with wood and brick areas.

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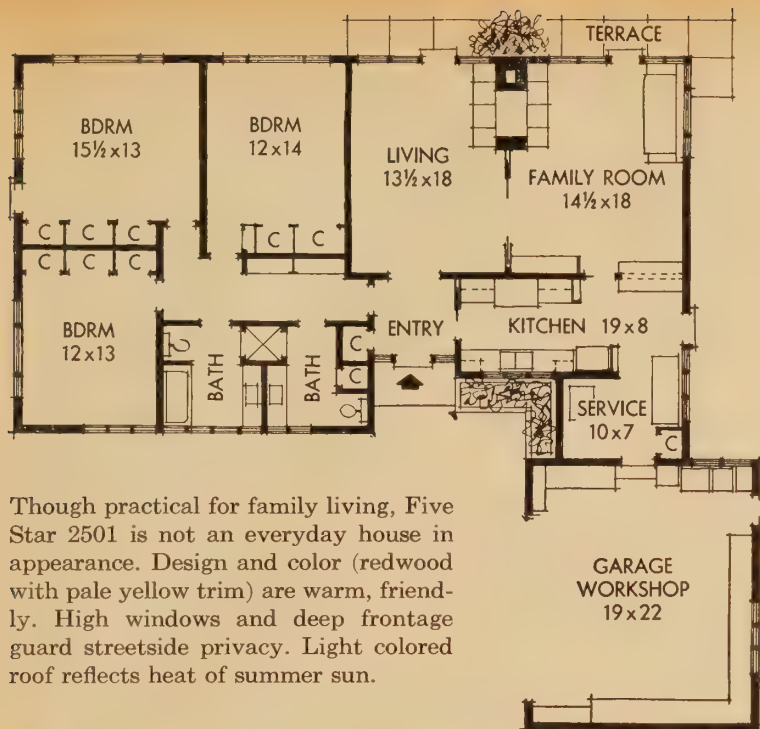
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Louis Huebner*

AREA: *1,068 square feet*

DIMENSIONS: *78x26½ feet*





FAMILY PLANNED WITH DUAL-PURPOSE LIVING AREA

Most parents want a home in which they can share day to day activities with their children and at the same time have a domain of their own.

The solution offered here is a living area with a "split-personality." What it amounts to is dividing (with sliding doors and fireplace) one larger area into zones for active play, quiet relaxation—a living room and a family room.

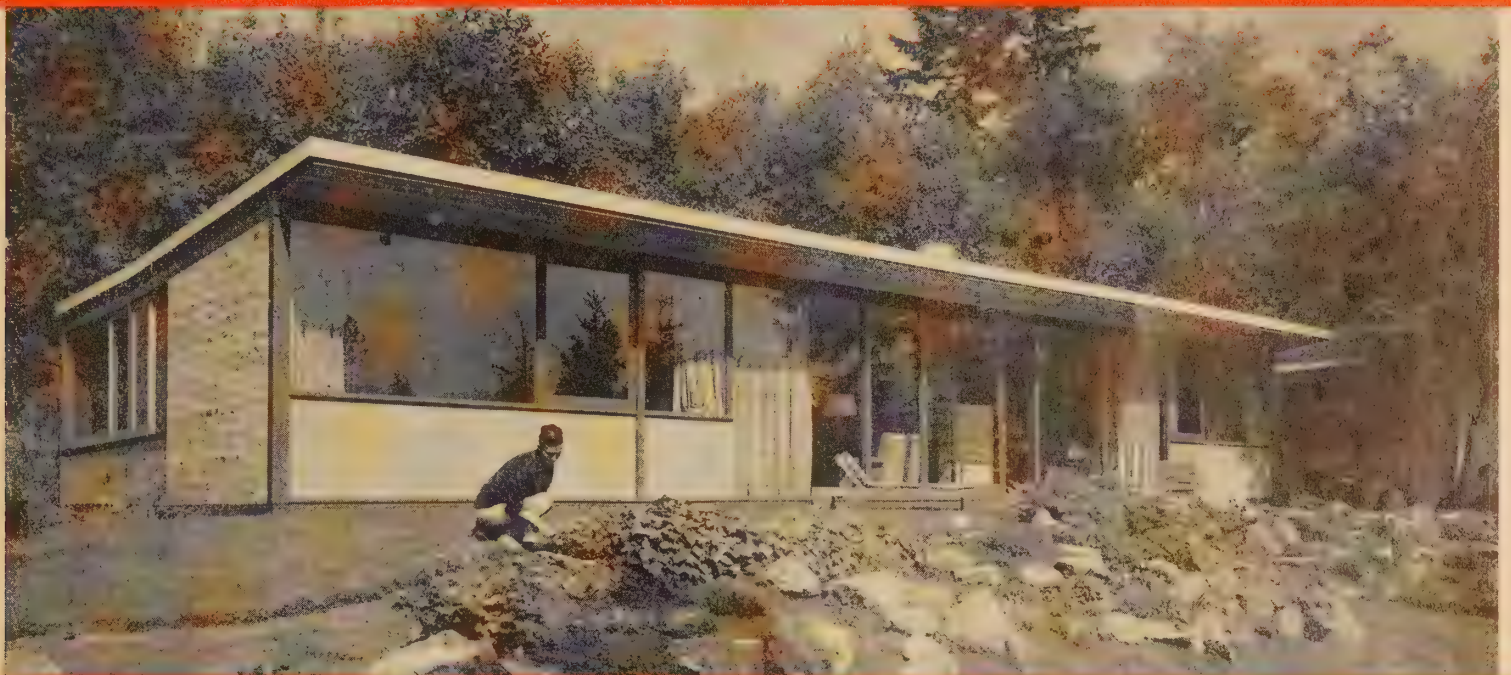
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Five Star Home

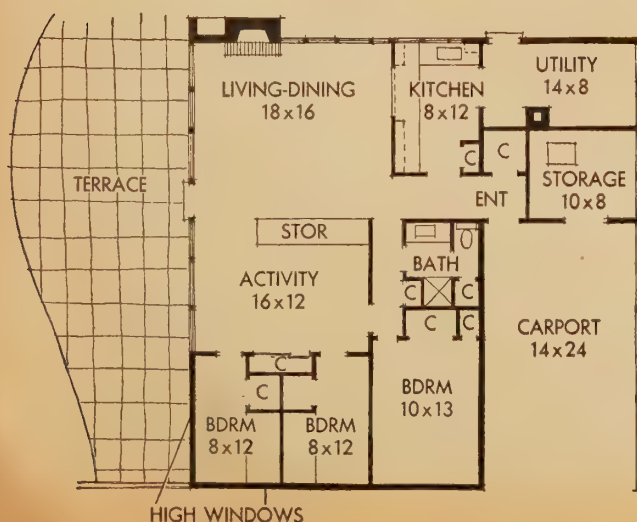
ARCHITECT: *Arthur Swab*

AREA: 1,806 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 64x57 1/2 feet



← Fence on front gives house a long, substantial appearance and guards privacy of the terrace around corner at left.



A GOOD HOUSE WILL ADAPT TO ANY CLIMATE

When designing this home, architect Ganster worked on the principle that a good house is a good house *anywhere*. Even in cold climates you have a good four months of outdoor living; this Five Star home gives you a beautiful terrace and abundant glass areas so you can enjoy it. And there's no sacrifice of privacy either.

2401

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *William Ganster*

AREA: 1,264 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 40x51 feet

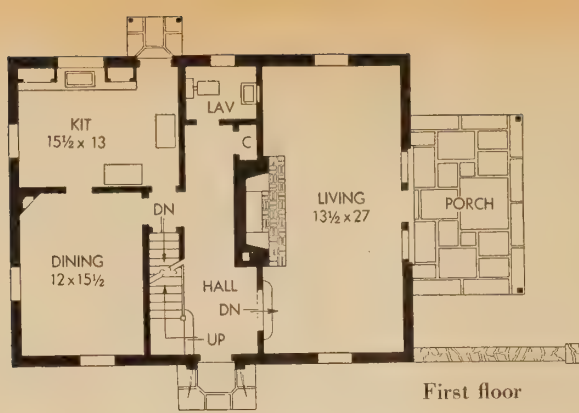
YOU'LL FIND HERE TRADITIONAL DESIGN TEAMED WITH A PLAN FOR TODAY

Five Star 908 combines the best of today's planning ideas with the best of yesterday's compelling good looks. Exterior of stone and clapboard gives home sturdy appearance. Inside a central hall separates family activities well—left to kitchen and dining, right to living area, upstairs to bedrooms.

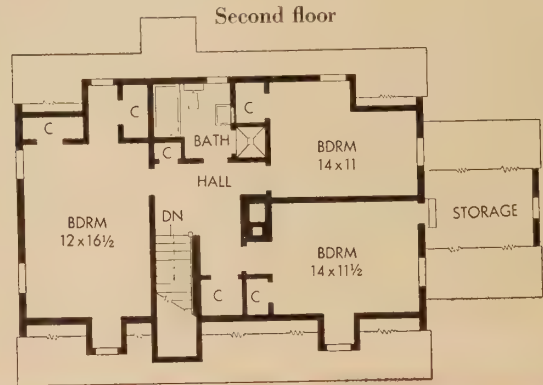
908

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Edward Wallace*
AREA: 2,076 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 50x29 feet



First floor



Second floor

Texture and color of exterior stone don't matter because the surface is "parged"—plastered over with whitewashed mortar to cut costs.



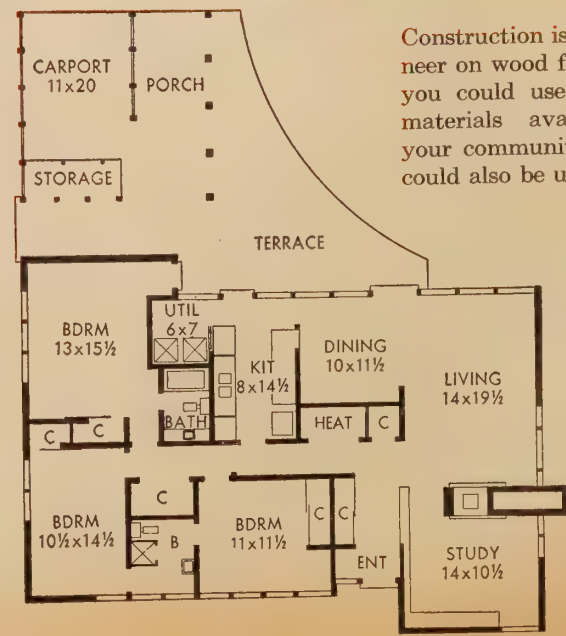
SEVEN ROOMS ON ONE LEVEL

It's hard to believe that there're seven first-floor rooms in Five Star 2202, but it's true. And the architect was careful not to divide the plan into cubicles. You'll find no cramped living here. Modern planning techniques were used to make the most of space available within the 56x35-foot dimensions.

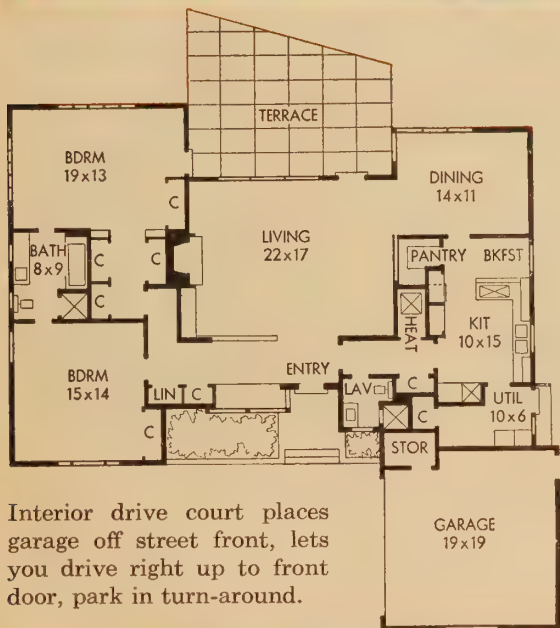
2202

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Diedrich F. Rixman*
AREA: 1,786 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 56x35 feet



Construction is brick veneer on wood frame, but you could use masonry materials available in your community. Siding could also be used.



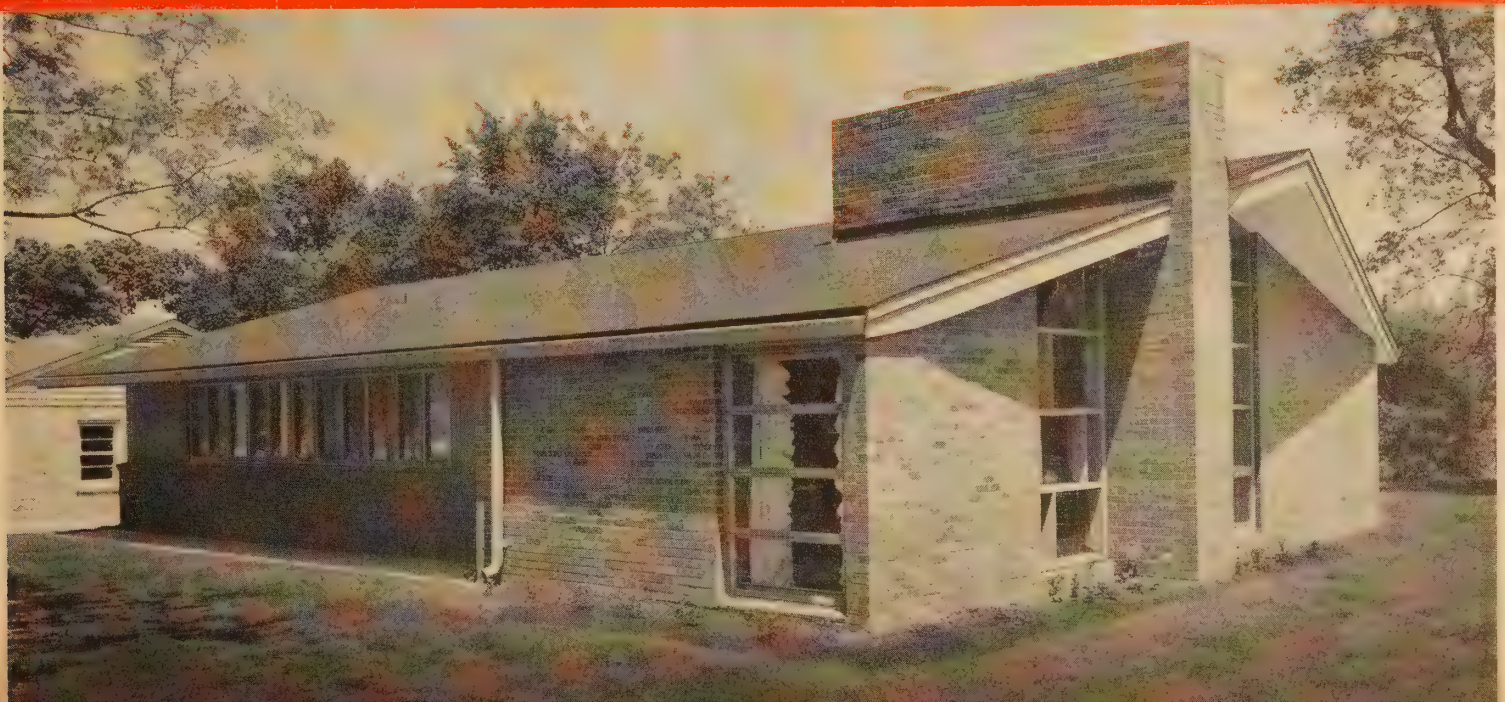
← Interior drive court places garage off street front, lets you drive right up to front door, park in turn-around.

AT HOME IN ANY NEIGHBORHOOD

Many people would rather not build an “ultramodern” home. Instead, they favor a home such as Five Star 2109 that’s modest in size on a cost-estimate sheet yet comfortably large on its site—one that yields more than just-adequate space within the limits of their building budget, but also well-designed areas for various activities.

2109
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *George Anderson*
AREA: *1,845 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *57x61 feet*



VERSATILE PLAN, DESIGN KEYNOTE HOME OF IDEAS

2509
Five Star Home

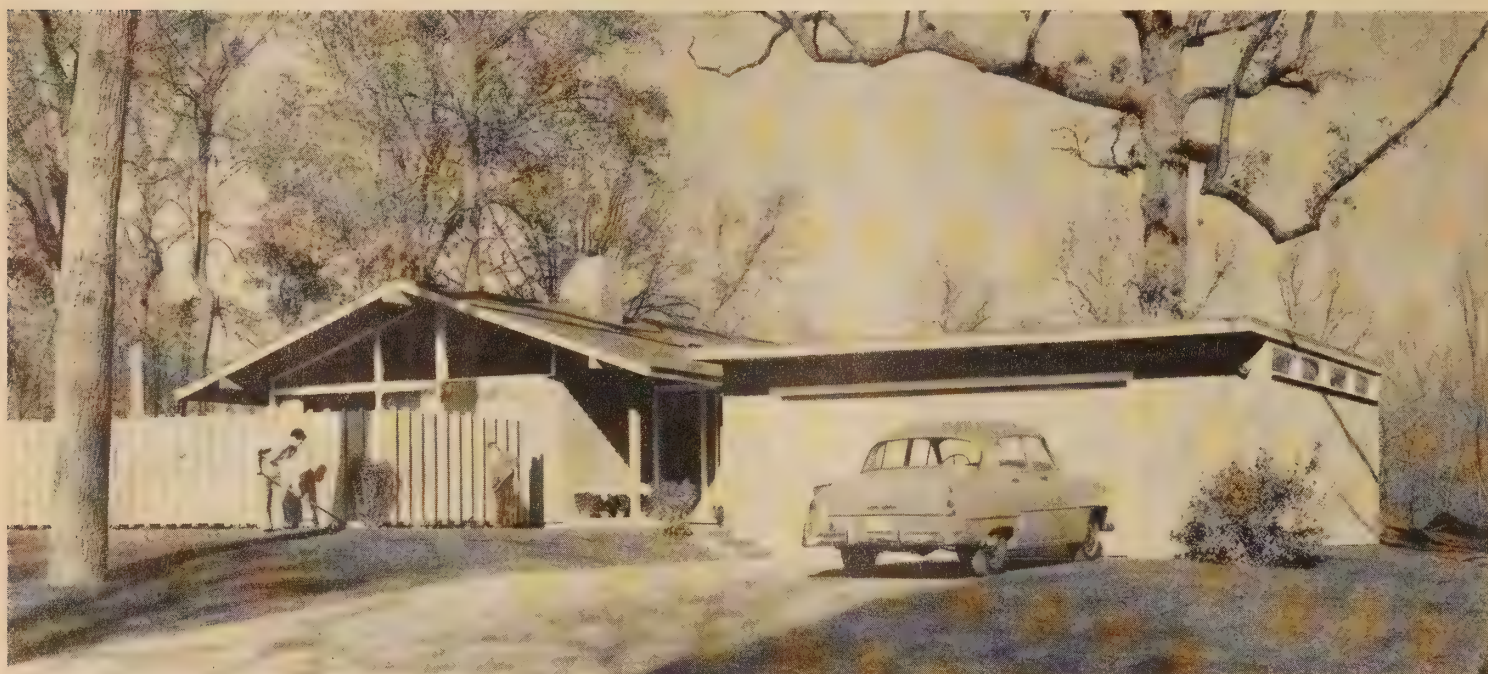
ARCHITECT: *Hugh Stubbins*

AREA: 1,626 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 30x70 feet

Five Star 2509 is a realistic house—not built only on a set of ideal conditions. It's a handsome house—conservative looking, yet emanating an air of true individualism. Its distinction lies not in complicated and costly details, but in clever uses of materials.

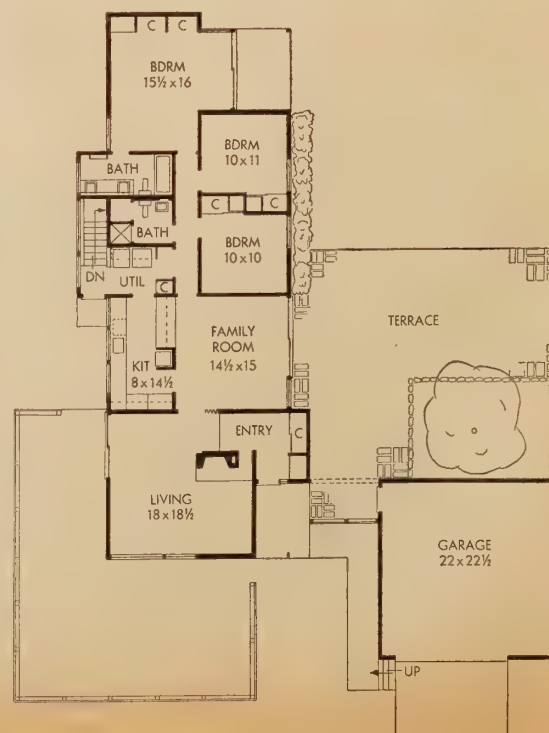
The house abounds in desirable living comforts. An unusually good indoor-outdoor relationship gives you four private, sheltered terraces. Separation of areas is excellent—the parents' secluded apartment, the private bedroom-and-bath unit for the children, the great expanses of floor-to-ceiling windows (rooms merge with outdoors), and the proximity of laundry to kitchen.

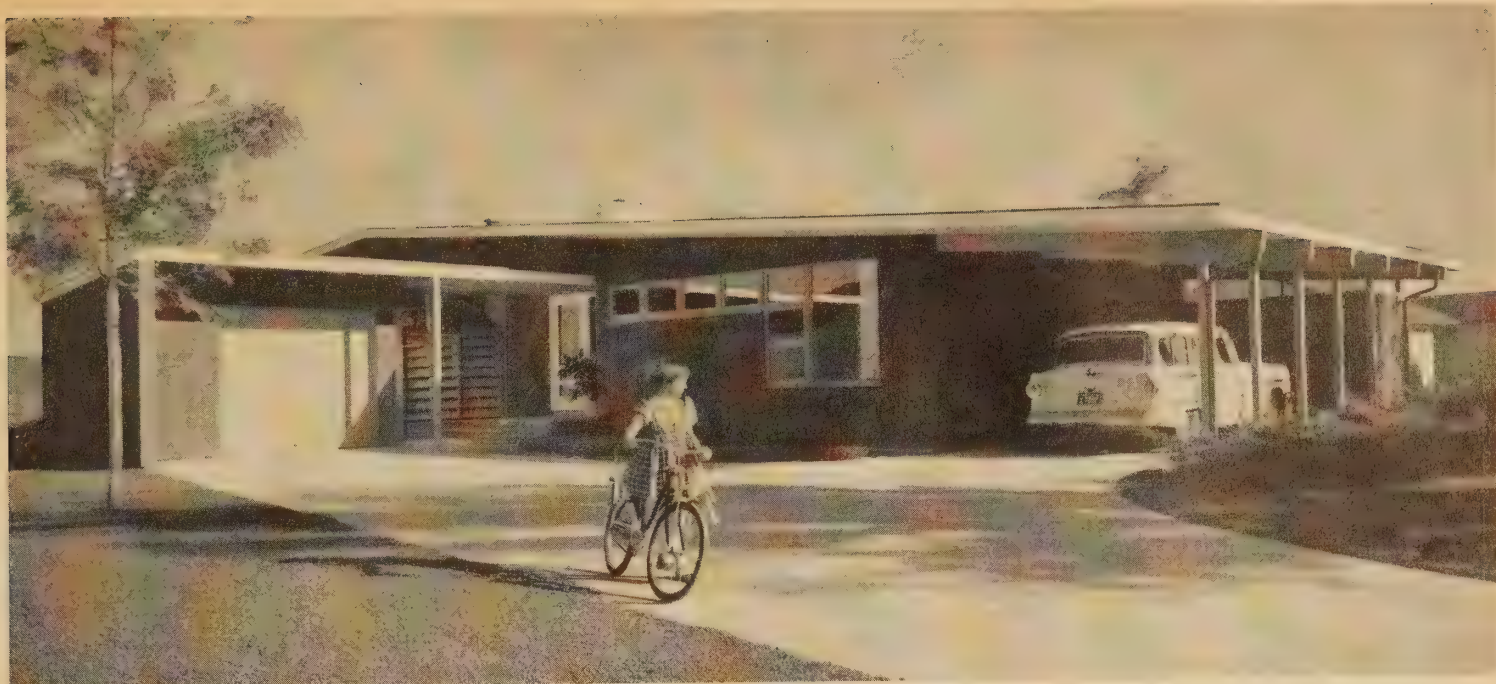


Garage and board-and-batten fence are bridged to house in such a way that front and activity side of house is private from the street.

Gable end exposes posts and beams used to simplify home's construction. Wide eave shelters glass from rays of summer sun.

Here's a family room outdoors! This area is recreation terrace for children and adults, well in sight and reach of kitchen and family room from which it naturally extends. Glass, sheltered from street, is nicely scaled to this 70-foot activity side. Board-and-batten siding is redwood stained gray.





Long dimension of house runs perpendicular to the street, placing entrances at side of plan. Family can have both partially and fully

enclosed protection with both carport and garage. For large families two bedrooms could be added by enclosing the carport.

IN ITS PLAN, NO PHASE OF LIVING HAS BEEN OVERLOOKED

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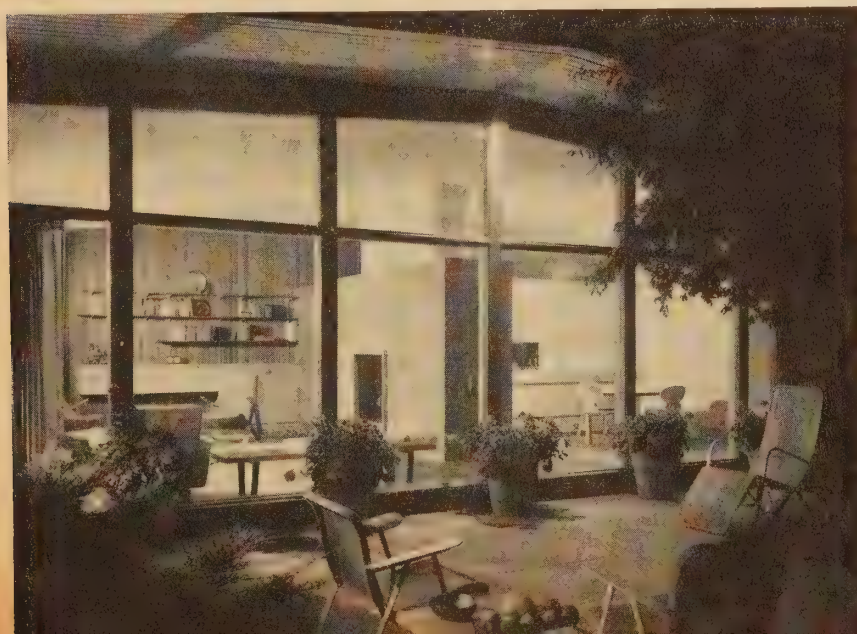
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Harold Spitznagel*

AREA: *1,610 square feet*

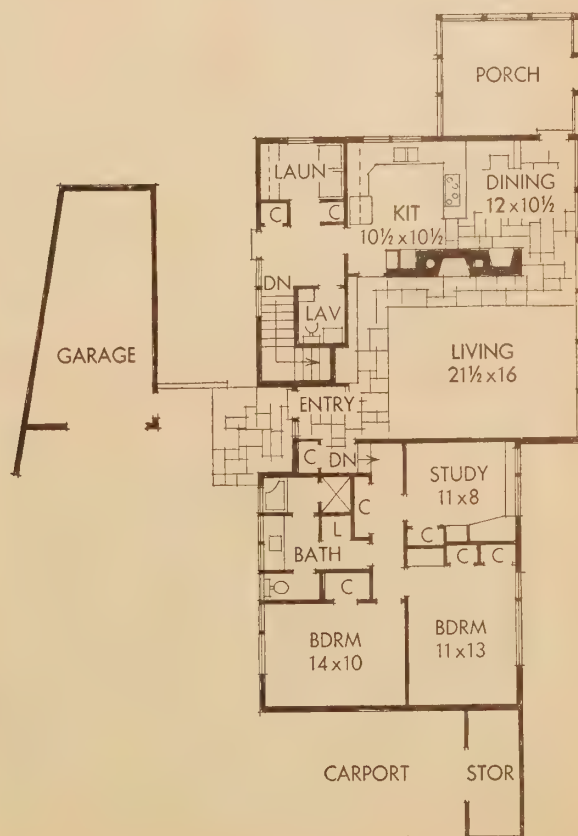
DIMENSIONS: *80x57 feet*

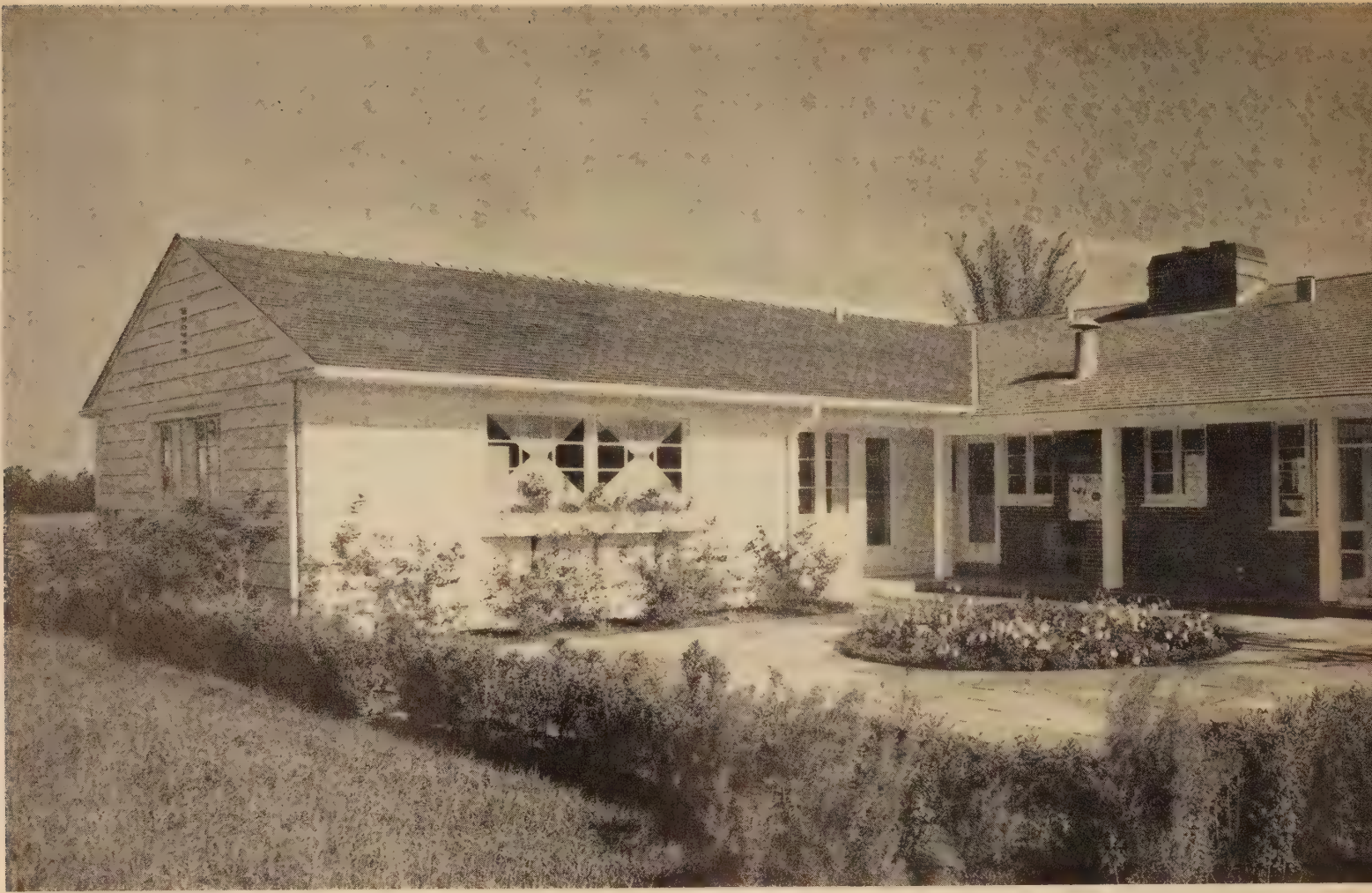
Here, you're looking across the terrace from the garden. Day or night, and even when winter covers the scene, this home makes perfect partners of indoors and out. Through insulating glass, there's only the massive brick fireplace separating the living room (left) and dining room and kitchen (right).



Five Star 2605 offers lived-in proof that even in cold-winter climates you can enjoy the outdoor circle of seasons—and have a plan for privacy on a city lot.

Quite plainly, here's the kind of space most of us like, want, and need—expansible space in a house that can flex with the times, that you can build and live in for good. All family activity is covered. You're treated to a basement recreation room, a spacious living room, an enclosed porch, a private terrace and fenced outdoors, and a dining room that needn't share space.





Because of its L-shaped layout, the house gives extra living space—a protected terrace between the garage and screened porch. Terrace barbecue sheltered beneath eave makes outdoor cookouts easy and fun; and the barbecue is equally handy to the screened porch for nights when it's more practical to dine under cover because of bugs

or damp weather. Overhang on terrace side also gives a protected passageway to the house from the porch. Door (left) in clapboard covered garage wing opens to the master bedroom; its neighbor is convenient to the kitchen through the utility area. Twin windows with curtains and flower box belong to the double garage.

CAREFUL PLANNING ADDS BEAUTY AND CONVENIENCE IN THIS HOME

*Study its plan and you too will see
why it's most popular in our program*

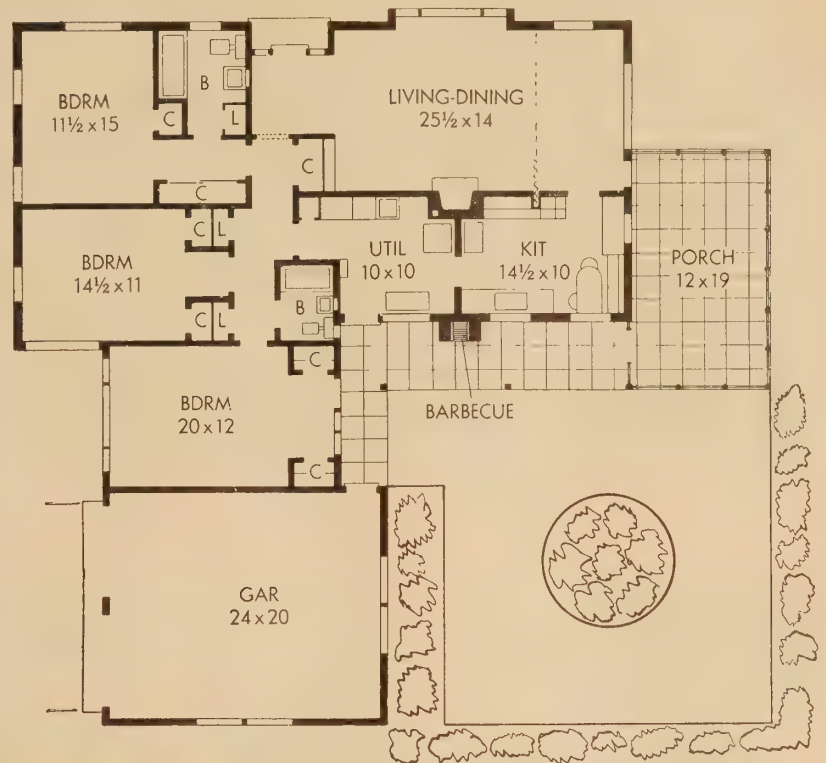
Start with a three-bedroom floor plan without a single cramped room; position these rooms efficiently and connect them with halls that allow freedom of movement; add a screened porch and a protected terrace. Package this dream plan in an exterior that combines modern lines and traditional dignity. There you have the most popular of all Five Star Homes—2001.

A feeling of spaciousness and freedom is gained by the way the house was designed: beauty was not sacrificed to the good floor plan. Lines of the house are clean, straight, and simple; details bring out their beauty.

Five Star 2001 was designed to allow easy movement of traffic. Every room but the kitchen opens to the central hallway that runs from front door to rear bedroom. This means there's no trekking through one room to reach another; an especially nice feature with small children about the house. Rooms have cross- or through-ventilation.



An excellent floor plan makes Five Star 2001 easy to get around in; its design gives the feel of a much larger house



2001

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Bertram Weber*

AREA: *1,723 square feet*

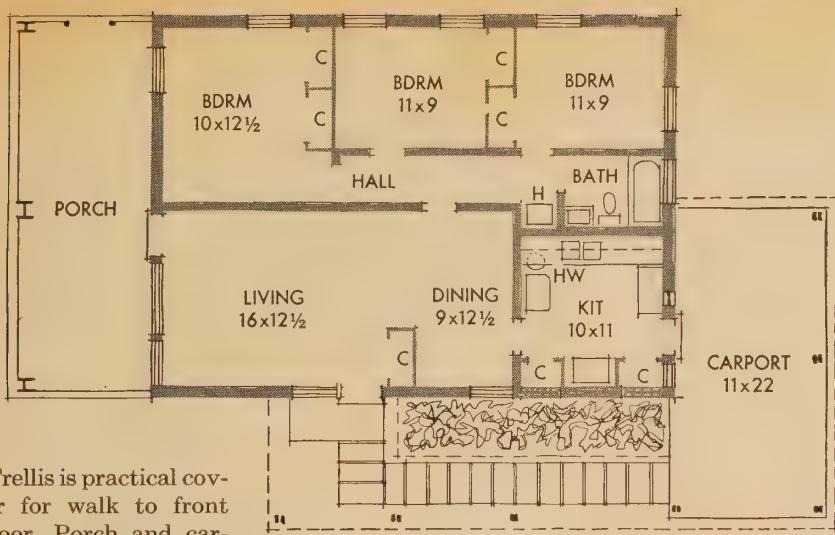
DIMENSIONS: *61x66 feet*

Exterior of this best-selling Five Star Plan features the always-handsome combination of red brick and white trim. Screened porch opening to living-dining area is expansible space that could later be converted to a family room or study to meet the owners' needs. The main entrance door has pan-

els built up on its face that match window shutters. Doorway is recessed to protect visitors from weather. Floor is easy-to-wash ceramic tile. Overhead light illuminates steps. Blend of bay and picture window ideas produces an attractive view window that floods the living room with sunlight.







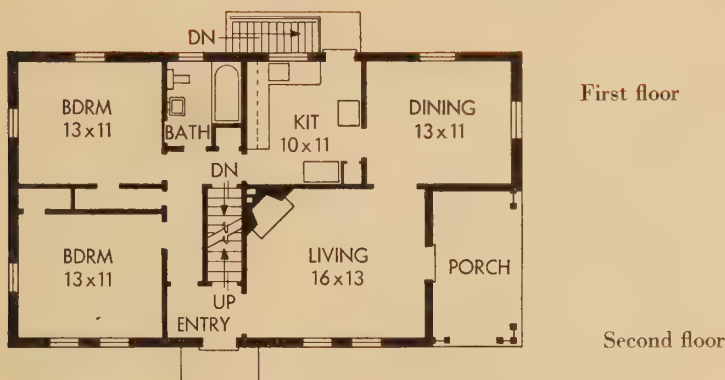
← Trellis is practical cover for walk to front door. Porch and carport increase home's dimensions to 58x36.

A THREE-BEDROOM HOME FOR THE BUDGET-MINDED

Simple and economical are the key words for describing this trim, brick home. The architects stretched space and saved building costs with rectangular design. By eliminating partition, living and dining areas become one large room.

2312
Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: *Heery & Heery*
AREA: 1,000 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 37x27 feet



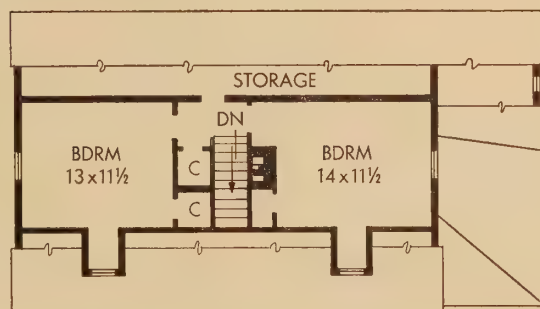
← Brick, central entry, dormers, and shutters are trademarks of Traditional styling that give lasting appeal.

THE PREMIUM HERE—COMFORT AND STYLE

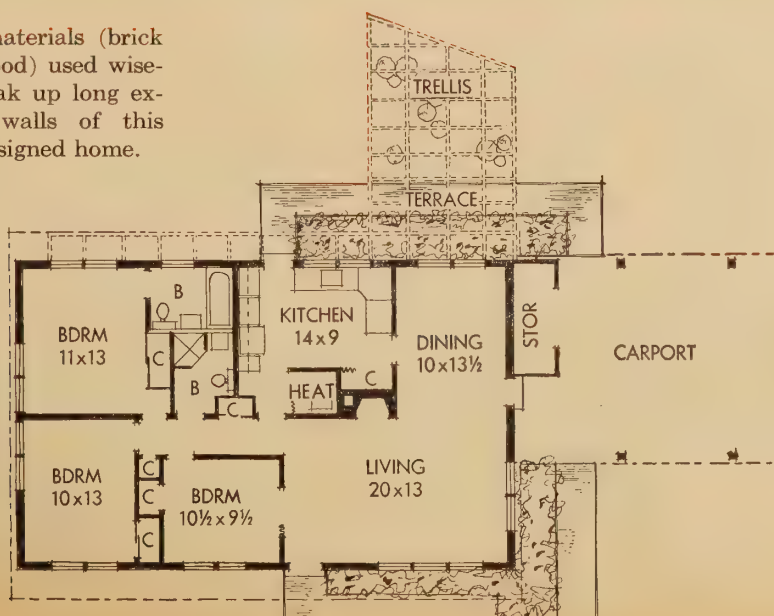
Styles of houses have varied greatly over the years. But good Cape Cod such as this house has never had to fight to keep favor. The reason is in its straightforward lines that give an owner a convenient layout, more living space for the money.

705
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Elliott Lea*
AREA: 1,622 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 45x26 feet



← Two materials (brick and wood) used wisely, break up long exterior walls of this well-designed home.



HOW TO CUT COST WITHOUT CUTTING SPACE

Every square foot of a house is measured in dollars and cents. To cut costs, you either cut space or, as in Five Star 2504, employ planning and construction that give more of everything for less money; with little sacrifice of space.

2504
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *George Hay*
AREA: 1,282 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 29x69 feet

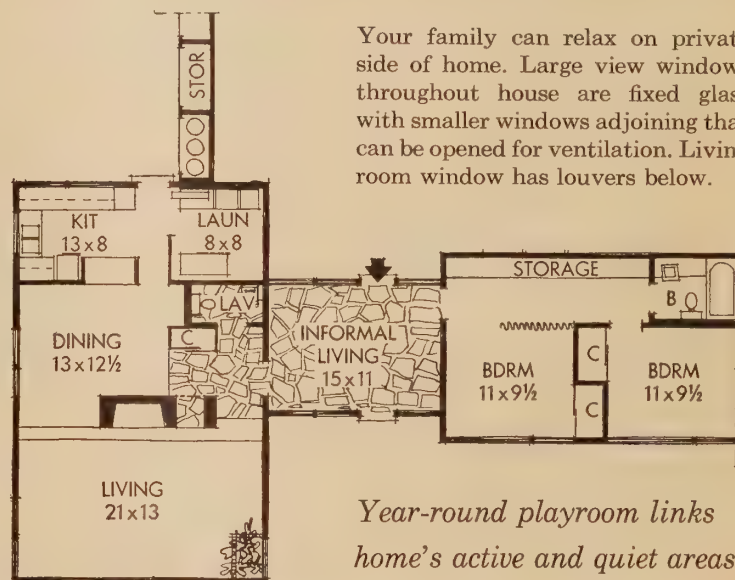


T-SHAPED PLAN OFFERS SEPARATION OF ACTIVITIES

Of the many good features this home offers the most distinctive is practical separation of activities. The all-purpose room with entrances front and rear serves as buffer between active and quiet areas. Simplicity of design puts dollars where they count—not in meaningless decorations or contrivances—and gives true beauty in the bargain.

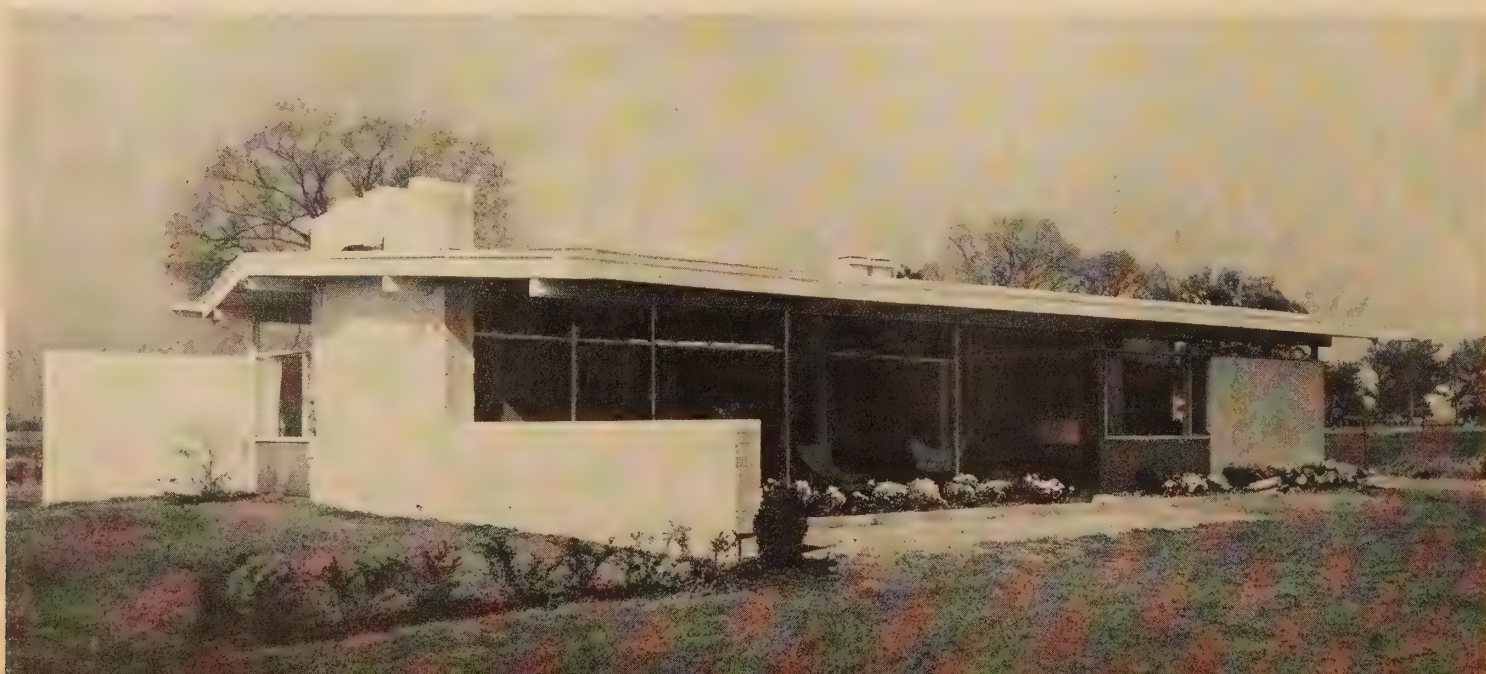
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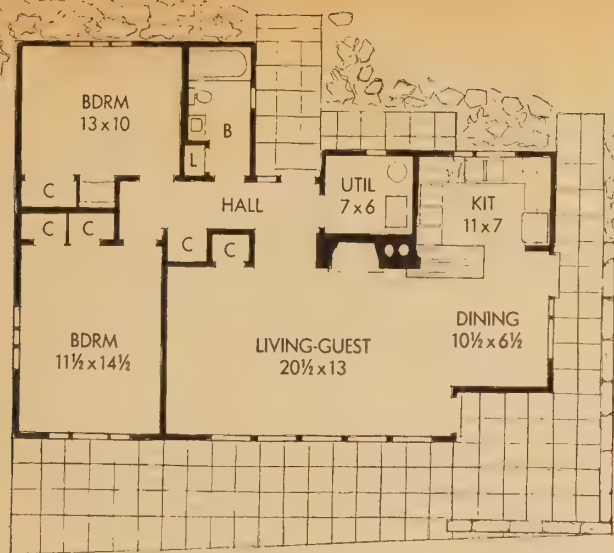
ARCHITECT: *Norman Nagle*
AREA: 1,414 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 63x35 feet



→ Your family can relax on private side of home. Large view windows throughout house are fixed glass with smaller windows adjoining that can be opened for ventilation. Living room window has louvers below.

Year-round playroom links home's active and quiet areas





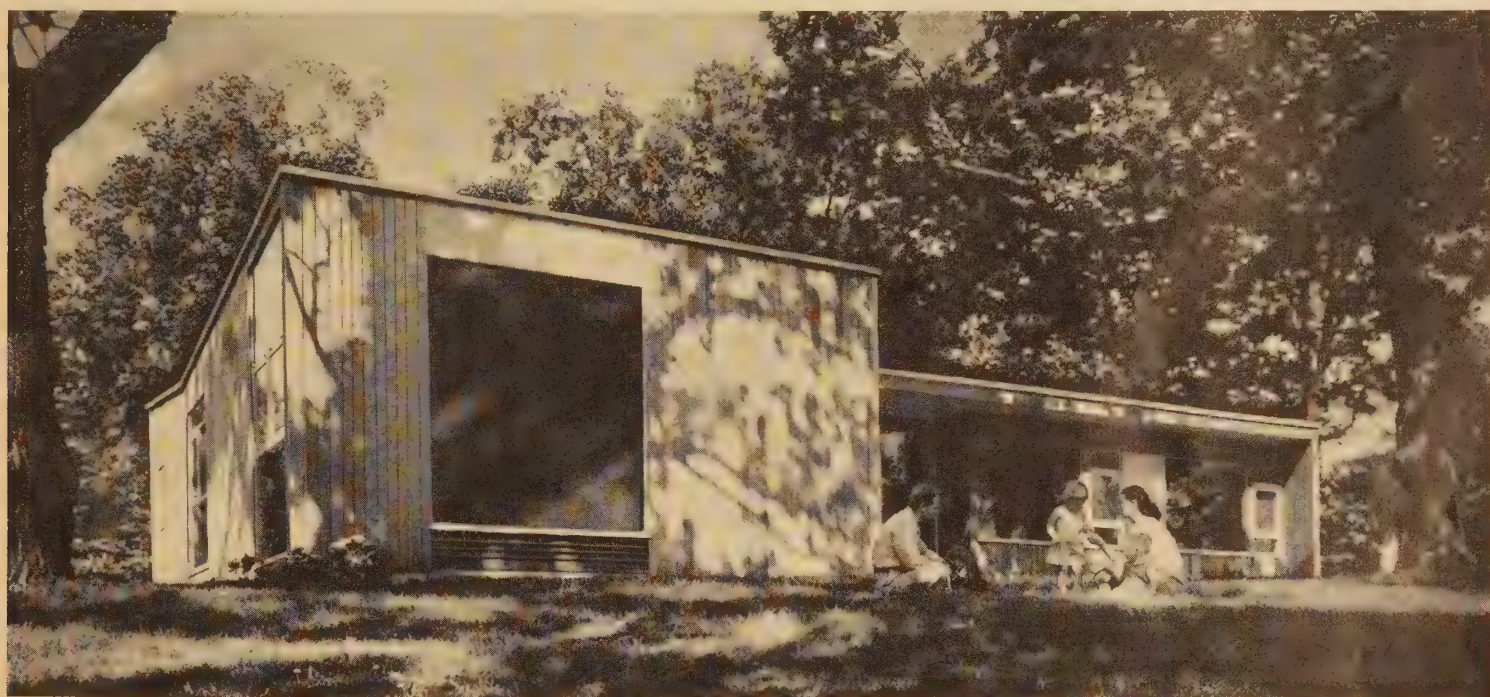
SIMPLICITY IS THE KEYNOTE OF THIS LOW-COST HOME

There's a way of life, a good way, expressed in the workings of this small house. Relaxed living is its theme—the least in daily effort is called for by the sturdy materials and compact plan—the most in freedom of mind is achieved by its open welcome to the outdoors. Consider Five Star 2306 carefully—it could well be the low-cost home you've been looking for.

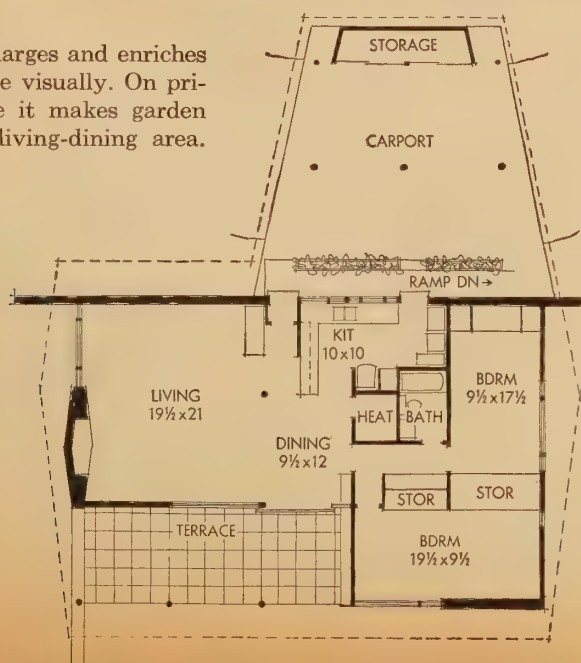
2306 Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Harold Spitznagel*
AREA: *1,121 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *31x37 feet*

← Rear shows inviting design for any neighborhood. Terrace runs length of house; door opens to living area.



← Glass enlarges and enriches this home visually. On private side it makes garden part of living-dining area.



STEEL-FRAMED FOR OPEN, FLEXIBLE INTERIOR DESIGN

Here's a simple rectangular plan that combines with post-and-beam framing to give a light, open structure. Steel beams propped on steel columns support the roof of this modest-size home. With a roof independent of interior wall support, you've a free hand in locating partitions—a big factor in boosting spaciousness.

2408 Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *John L. Kline*
AREA: *1,300 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *32x51 feet*

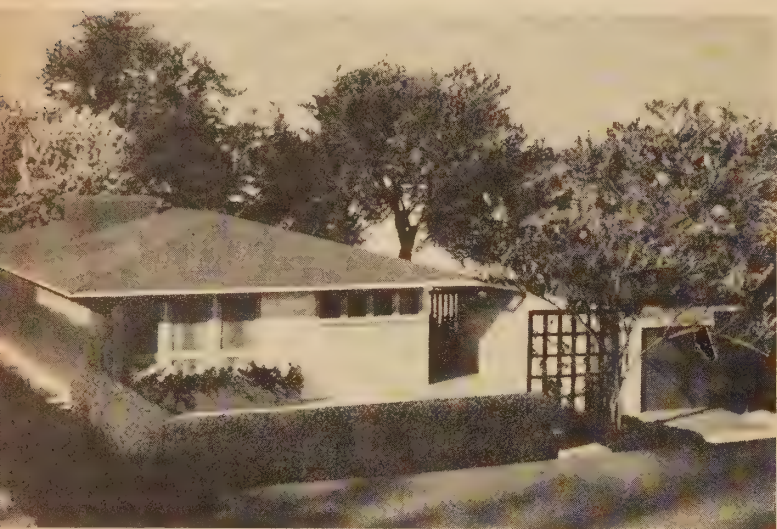
LARGE AREAS OF GLASS GIVE ILLUSION OF ADDING SPACE

1603

Five Star Home

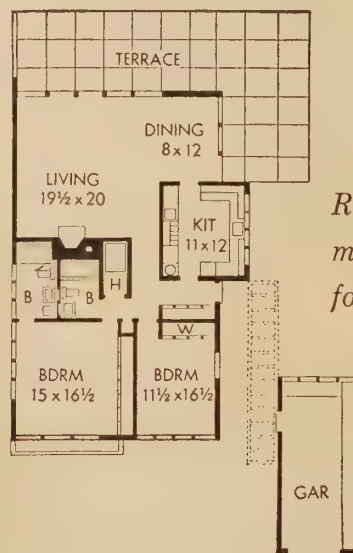
ARCHITECTS: Skidmore, Owings, & Merrill
AREA: 1,471 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 33x62 feet

Exterior walls are brick and random width boards of redwood. Bedrooms were placed on streetside so living area could open out on terrace in rear. Roof extends to cover walk to garage.



In Five Star 1603, large floor-to-ceiling windows open living and dining areas to outdoors. Terrace on private side becomes outdoor living area and has a prominent place in family activities. Kitchen is within easy snack-carrying distance.

Roof overhang is deep enough to shelter glass from weather, yet allows low winter sun to slip under to warm house.



Rectangular plan means more space for less money

TRY THIS EASY-TO-LIVE-IN CONTEMPORARY HOUSE FOR SIZE

2208

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: Walter D. Byrd
AREA: 1,325 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 35x44 square feet

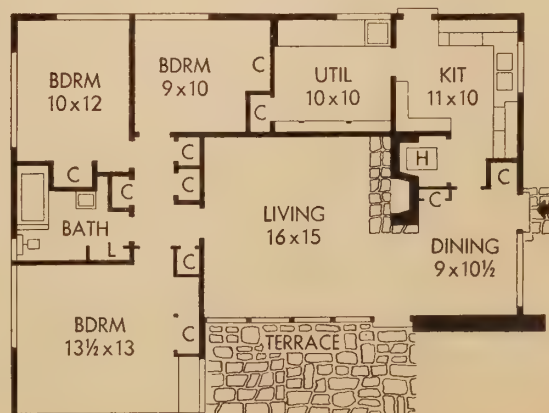
Exterior walls are tongue-and-groove vertical siding with accents of stone. A clerestory running the length of the living room is a practical product of the unusual roof design.



Five Star Home 2208 is the type of family house that's capturing the fancy of homemakers everywhere. Its lines—straight, bold, and even—give a look of youthful strength and simple beauty.

Inside, the open plan stresses relaxed living and promises many hours of family fun, fewer hours of housework and worry.

Four large windows separate the living area and terrace beyond, giving the room a feeling of much larger dimensions.



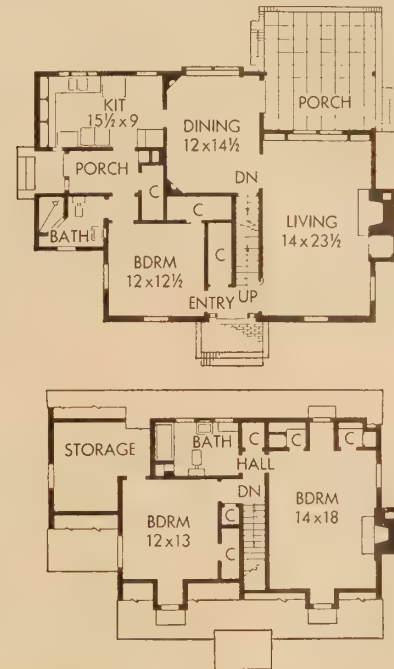
DUAL-PURPOSE ROOM GIVES THIS HOME A FLEXIBLE PLAN

1008

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *B. W. Crain, Jr.*
AREA: *2,111 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *48x33 feet*

There's nothing tricky or experimental here. And yet the dormers, the little entrance porch, and the shutters give this house a freshness that sets it apart from its neighbors.



ACCENT IS ON TRAFFIC PLAN IN THIS CONSERVATIVE HOME

1602

Five Star Home

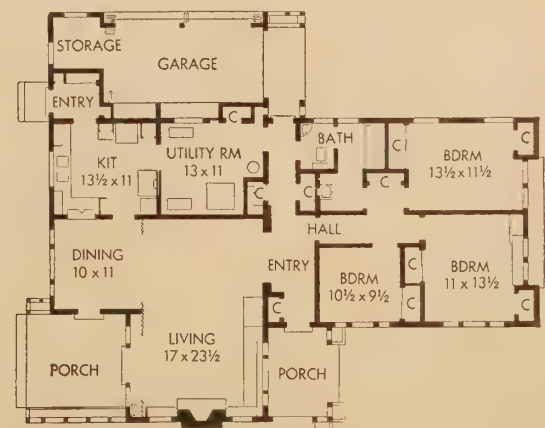
ARCHITECT: *Ayres and Ayres*
AREA: *1,810 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *49x59 feet*

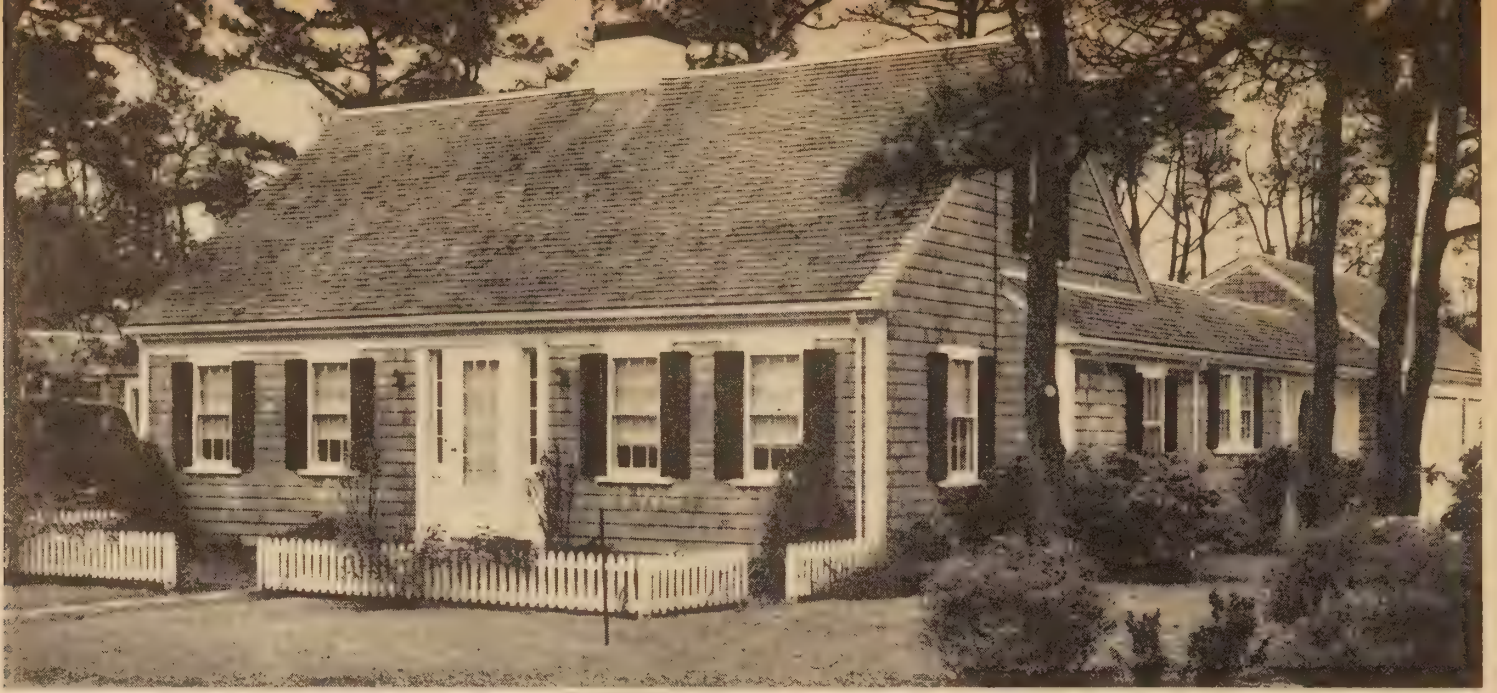
An unusual combination of exterior finishes, horizontal siding above a stucco base lends pleasing distinction to Five Star 1602. Front entry is nicely sheltered from weather by porch.



Central hall running front to rear is key to this successful Five Star plan. By dividing the house down the middle it serves as a buffer between active and quiet areas. It also eliminates conversation disturbing cross-traffic in the living room.

The attached garage is just a few steps from rear entry. A deep roof overhang shelters walk to car. Steps could be substituted as part of the utility room if owners desire a basement foundation.





Central hall arrangement means rooms retain individual privacy from traffic

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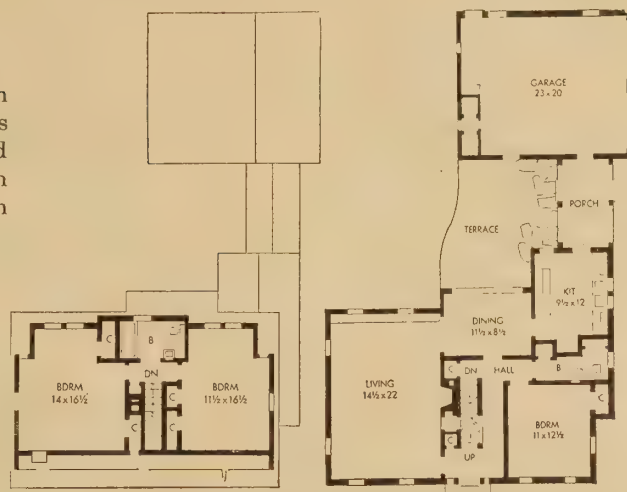
THIS HOME OFFERS SIMPLICITY, COMFORT

There's no use denying it, you get the most house for your money by building a two level house such as Five Star 1509. Expensive roof and foundation areas are held to minimum, while building dollars buy more living space than in nearly any other style of house.

1509

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: T. A. Cottrell
AREA: 1,520 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 39x63 feet



From front can be seen simplicity of style that's common with all good Cape Cod designs. High roof makes possible an inexpensive second floor.

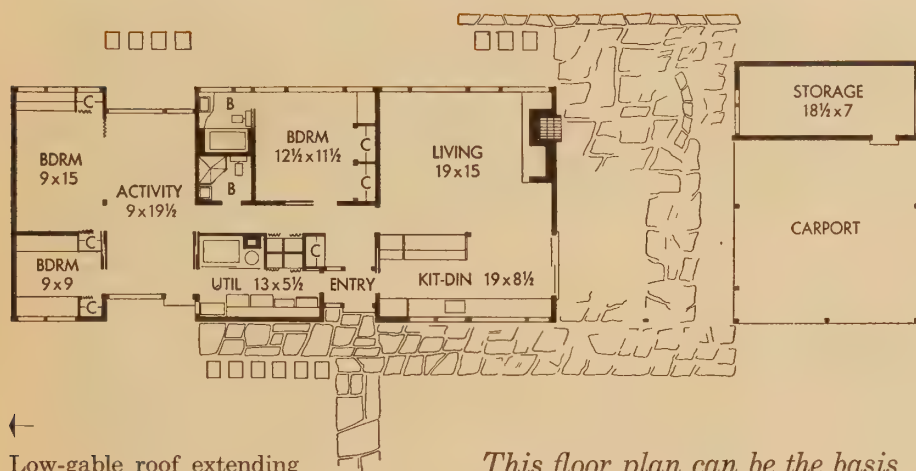
VERSATILE PLAN ADAPTS TO YOUR SITE, CLIMATE

Five Star 2409 is flexible, practical, imaginative. It was designed to suit a variety of tastes and climates. Variations include flat, gable, and low-pitched roofs, attached garage, and front- or side-located carports.

2409

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: Robert Little
AREA: 1,450 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 58x24 feet



Low-gable roof extending over terrace and carport accents long, low look. The 5-foot stone wall gives seclusion to terrace and ties the carport to the house.

This floor plan can be the basis for a remarkable variety of homes

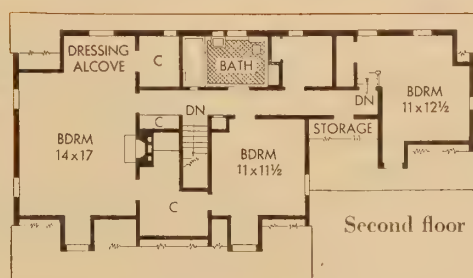
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TWO-LEVEL LIVING

This house is larger than it appears from streetside. Though the low roof line seemingly belies the fact, there are three second-floor bedrooms under the red cedar shingles. A fourth bedroom, or study if you prefer, on first floor overlooks rear terrace.

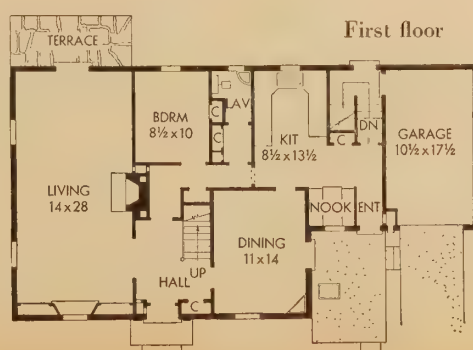
1512

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: Rollin L. Rosser
AREA: 2,100 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 55x29 feet



Second floor



First floor

This trim Cape Cod home will fit on a 60-foot lot

Closely spaced red cedar shingles, the central entry, shutters, and dormers give Traditional simplicity and warmth to this large four-bedroom family home.



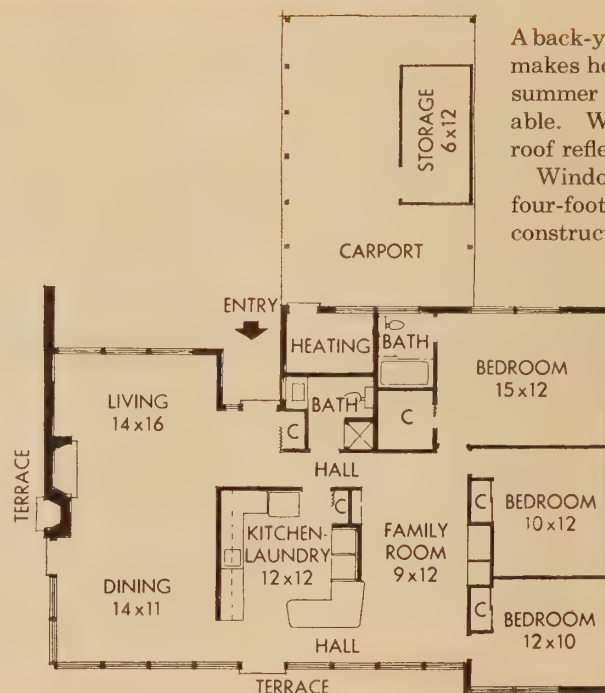
A ONE-STORY HOME PLANNED AROUND ITS KITCHEN

The plan tells the story of Five Star Home 2508. One look shows how truly convenient the kitchen is. With the family room, it forms a unit that ties fun and food together. With a well-planned utility core, it divides active quiet areas as well as would a split-level or a house twice this size.

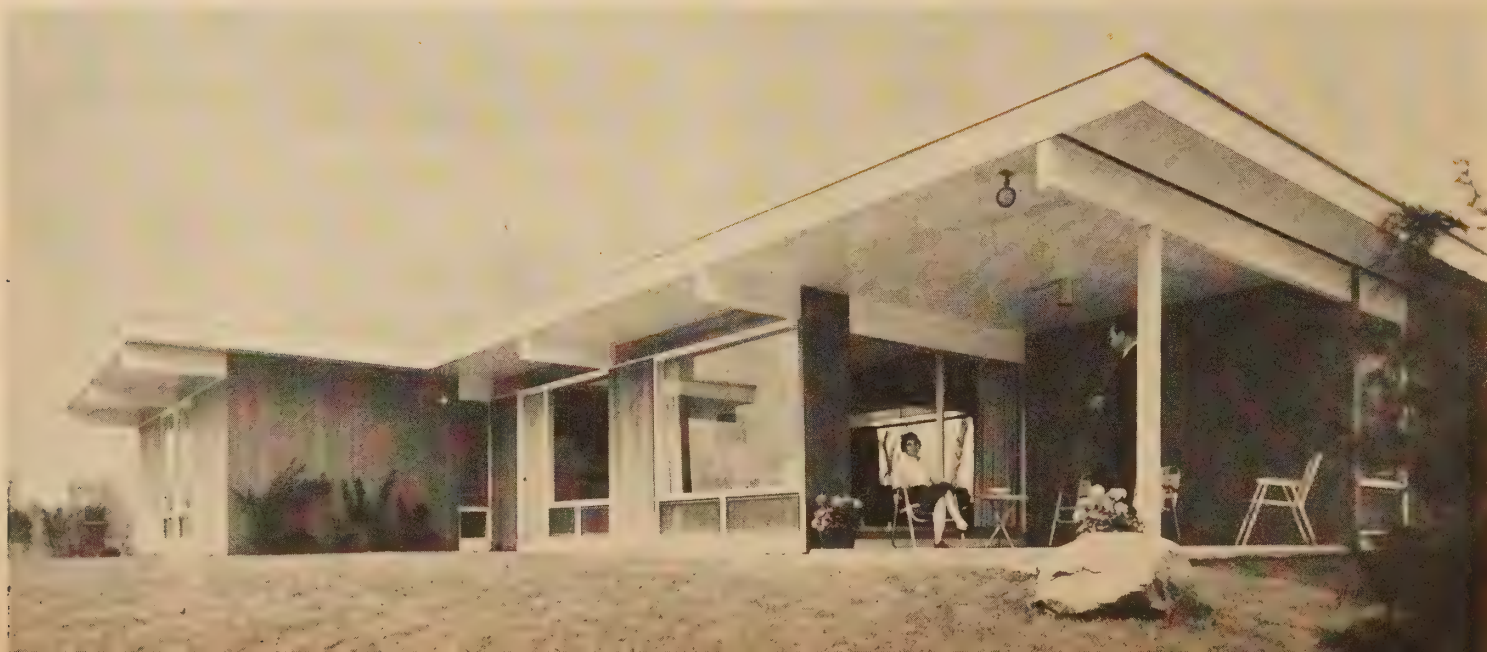
2508

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Oskar Stonorov*
 AREA: 1,572 square feet
 DIMENSIONS: 50x35 feet



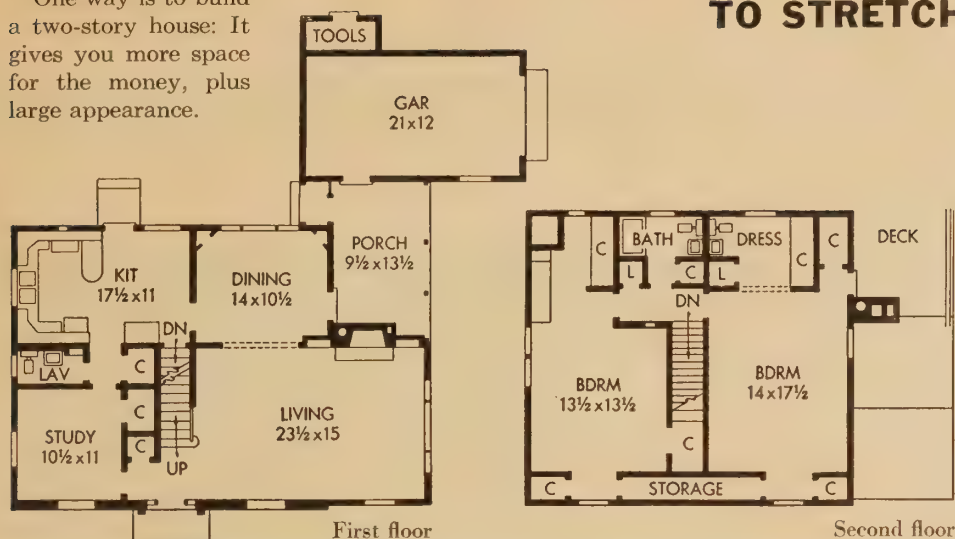
A back-yard terrace → makes hot winds of summer more bearable. White chip roof reflects heat. Windows outline four-foot module construction.



← The hardest thing to work into a house is elbowroom.

One way is to build a two-story house: It gives you more space for the money, plus large appearance.

THIS SMALL HOUSE HAS ROOM TO STRETCH OUT IN



Five Star 2005 is not a large home. The main body of the house is only 33x29 feet. But because this section is two stories high, and because the garage-breezeway extension gives length, the house looks big.

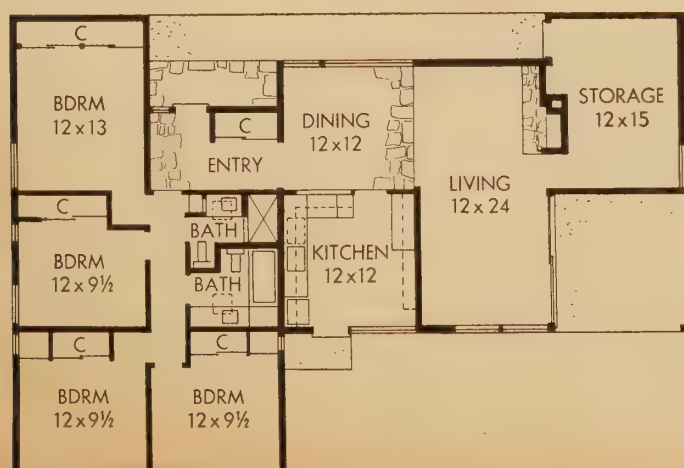
2005
Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: Lankton & Ziegler
AREA: 1,800 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 52x49 feet



← Orderliness in design and assembly of post-and-beam system of construction are solidly apparent in full view across rear of home. Heavy posts and beams are repeated every 12 feet.

CORE PLUS "X"—NEW WAY TO PLAN A HOUSE



Five Star 2608 is planned freely and openly around a "standardized mechanical core"—a kitchen wall and two bathrooms. Blocks of space that work off the core are 12x12x8 feet. Based on a module of 12 feet, one block of space is called "X," so size of house is described as core plus (so many) "X."

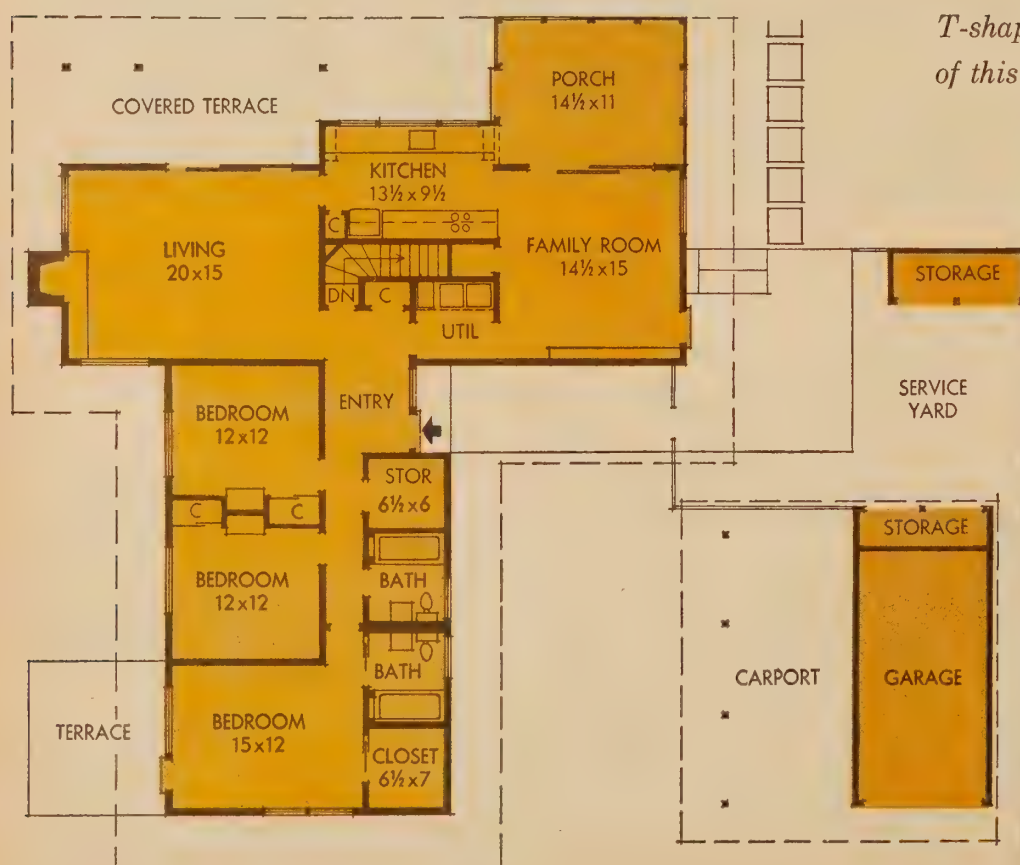
2608
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: The Architects Collaborative
AREA: 1,590 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 58x40 feet

There's a wonderful sense of coming into the house before you reach the front door—a well-related building and landscaping plan makes this real.

Slab is part carport, part courtyard. Garage, house enclosed this area on three sides.

INFORMALITY IN THE



T-shaped plan offers strict separation of this home's active and quiet areas



2709

Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS:

Wurster, Bernardi
& Emmons

AREA:

1,600 square feet

DIMENSIONS:

48 x 63 feet

MODERN MANNER

Five Star 2709 represents a gathering together of all that's good in today's building trends. Shaped like a T, the plan is a showcase for ideas—inside and out, lot line to lot line. It may be a blueprint for your future, a forecast of a way of living best suited to your family.

The T plan provides distinct separation of quiet and active areas; added wall space brings a view to every room. Deep roof overhang protects glass from direct sun.

Inside, the home is light, open, colorful. Living room and family room have uncommon advantage: maximum outdoor exposure on three sides. Living room is also a dead-end room with no through traffic to disturb conversations. Both family room and living room have companion outdoor living areas; screened porch opens off family room and covered terrace adjoins living area.

Bedrooms are isolated in stem of T for additional privacy and quiet. Central entry separates this area from rest of the house. Largest bedroom is literally an "apartment" for parents. Door between bathrooms shuts off this bedroom, bath, and large walk-in closet.

Advantage of T-shaped plan: living room at dead end is away from sleeping and activity areas, free from through traffic. Furniture grouping opens toward recessed brick fireplace, which is tailored to exposed gable ceiling.

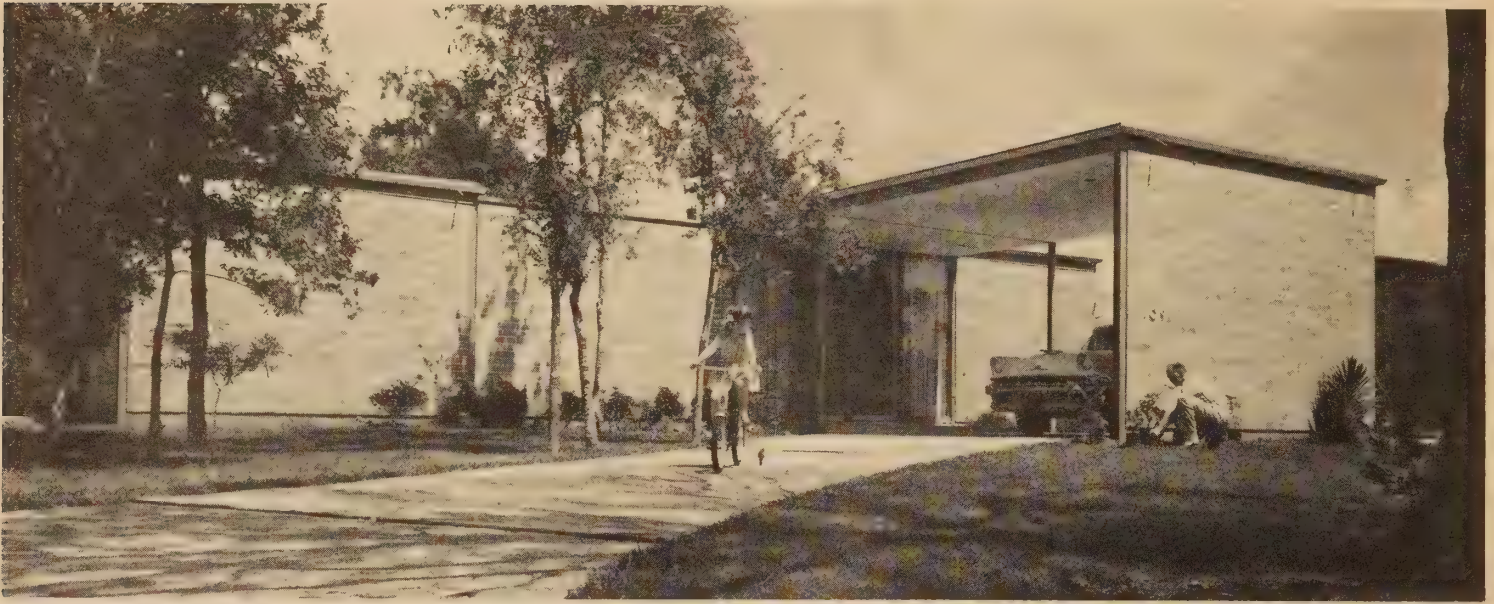


Corridor kitchen has direct route serving family room, porch, and outdoors. Kitchen projects beyond living and family rooms to gain roomier working area. Skylight in ceiling bathes this area with sunlight all day long.

Living room adjoins kitchen and terrace. Terrace is under cover of wide sweep of gable roof. With sliding glass doors, outdoor areas become extension of living room. Door shuts kitchen off from formal living area.



THIS CONTEMPORARY HOME PRESENTS A NEW WAY OF LIVING



CENTRALIZED PLANNING MEANS ADDED SPACE

Five Star 2611 is planned around a mechanical core. This practical method of design virtually assures getting more usable space in a small home. The plan concentrates bathrooms, heating, kitchen, and laundry in a central unit. Result: more outside wall space for living, working areas making possible three bedrooms.

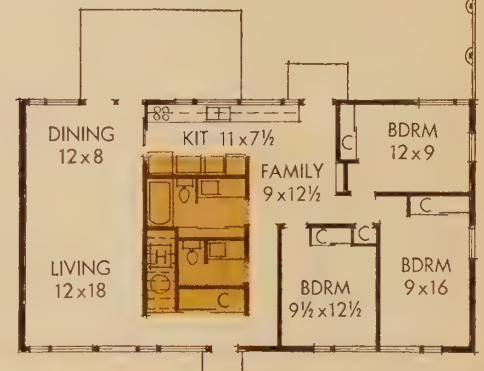
*Utility core means
added economy to this
rectangular plan*



TERRACE
AREA

2611
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: George Matsumoto
AREA: 1,170 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 45x26 feet



Economy of Five Star 2611 is inherent in straight clean lines. Siding is scoured fir plywood, stained to accent texture and grain. High windows are realistic approach to daylighting interior when living and sleeping areas are on streetside.

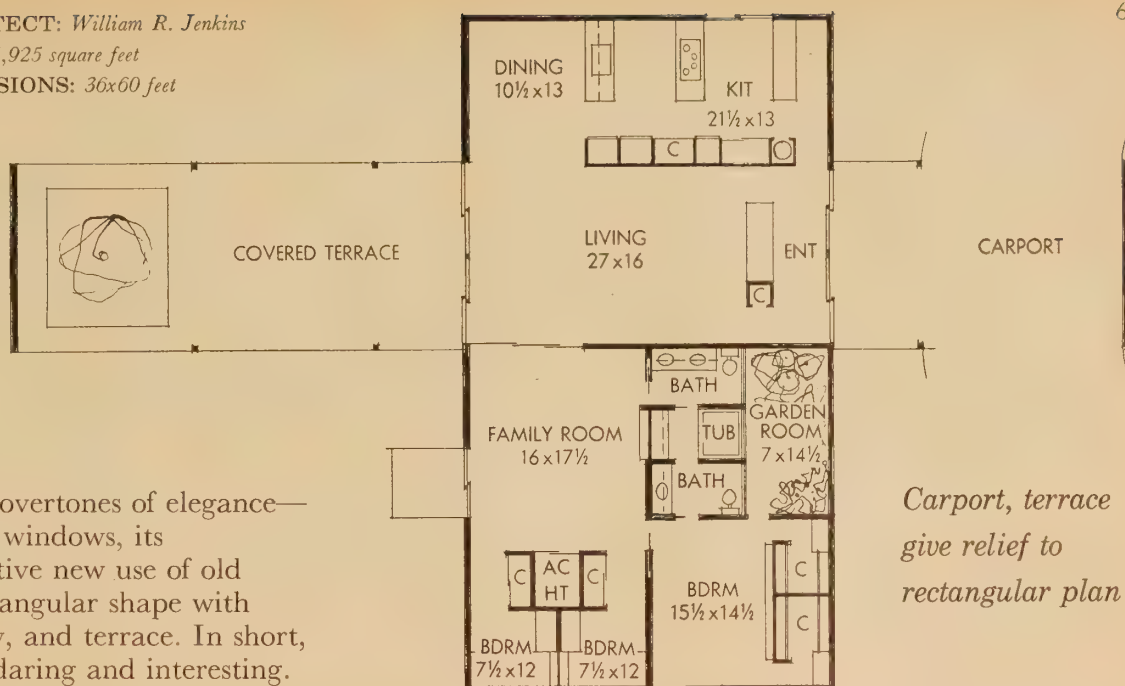


2710

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *William R. Jenkins*
 AREA: *1,925 square feet*
 DIMENSIONS: *36x60 feet*

← Carport and entry are combined in this trim design. Shelter for car up front means luxurious canopy for entry as well. Forward thrust gives visual relief to the simple rectangular plan.



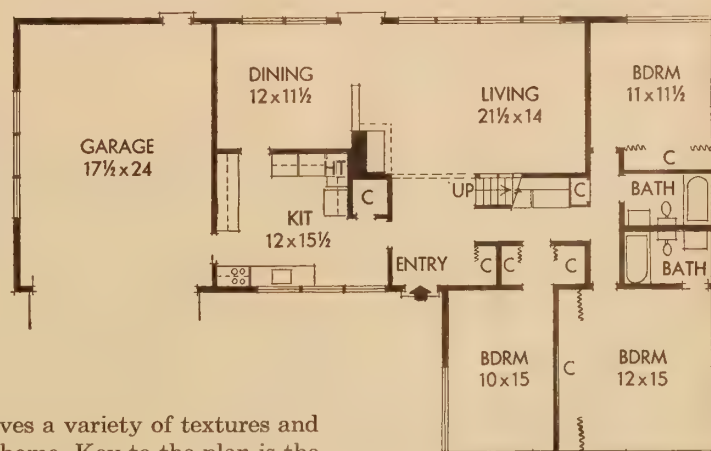
This simple house has overtones of elegance—in its 10-foot walls and windows, its spaciousness, its distinctive new use of old materials, its clean rectangular shape with wings for carport, entry, and terrace. In short, this home is fresh and daring and interesting.

Carport, terrace give relief to rectangular plan

YOUR BUILDING DOLLAR WILL GO FAR IN THIS HOME

Five Star 2505 offers low building costs per square foot of living space. You'll also find a spacious, well-lighted living room, both a dining room and breakfast eating area, three large bedrooms with plenty of closet space, and expansible space on the unfinished second floor.

L-shaped plan provides expansible space upstairs



2505

Five Star Home

DESIGNER: *Levitt & Sons*
 AREA: *1,530 square feet*
 DIMENSIONS: *64x40 1/2 feet*

Use of three materials (vertical flush siding, shingles, and masonry) gives a variety of textures and colors to otherwise conservative front exterior of this tightly planned home. Key to the plan is the central entry that distributes traffic throughout house without making passageways of rooms.

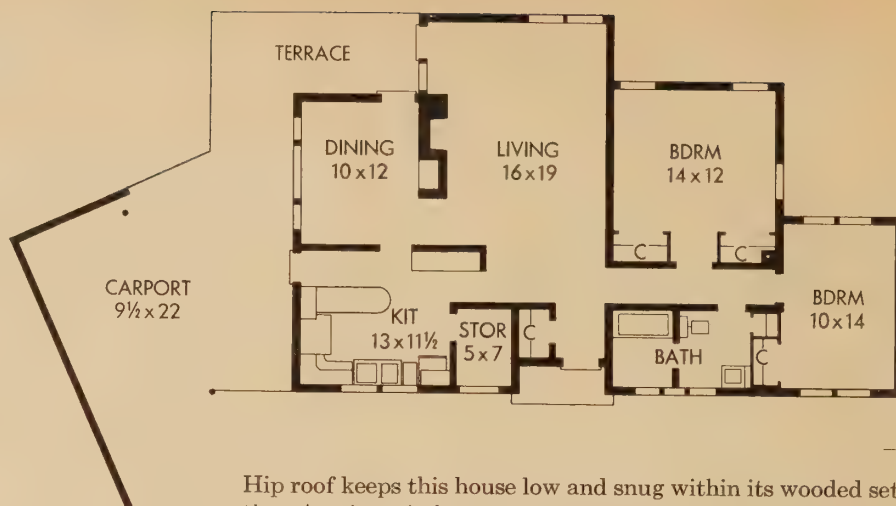


HERE'S A COMPROMISE WITH TRADITION

Central entry means no room serves as a traffic artery to the rest of this house. House has compartmented bath; laundry and most of its storage areas are upstairs—where they belong. Small room makes up basement, houses furnace and water heater.

2103
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Clement J. Ford*
AREA: *1,100 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *74x33 feet*



Hip roof keeps this house low and snug within its wooded setting. Awning windows can remain open when it rains. Carport on roomy parking court is angled out so that its louvered wall adds to the privacy of terrace from street.

THIS HOUSE DESIGNED FOR A 40-FOOT LOT

This house can be built on a limited budget as well as in limited space. It pays off in simplicity, in grace, in economy, and in honest livability.

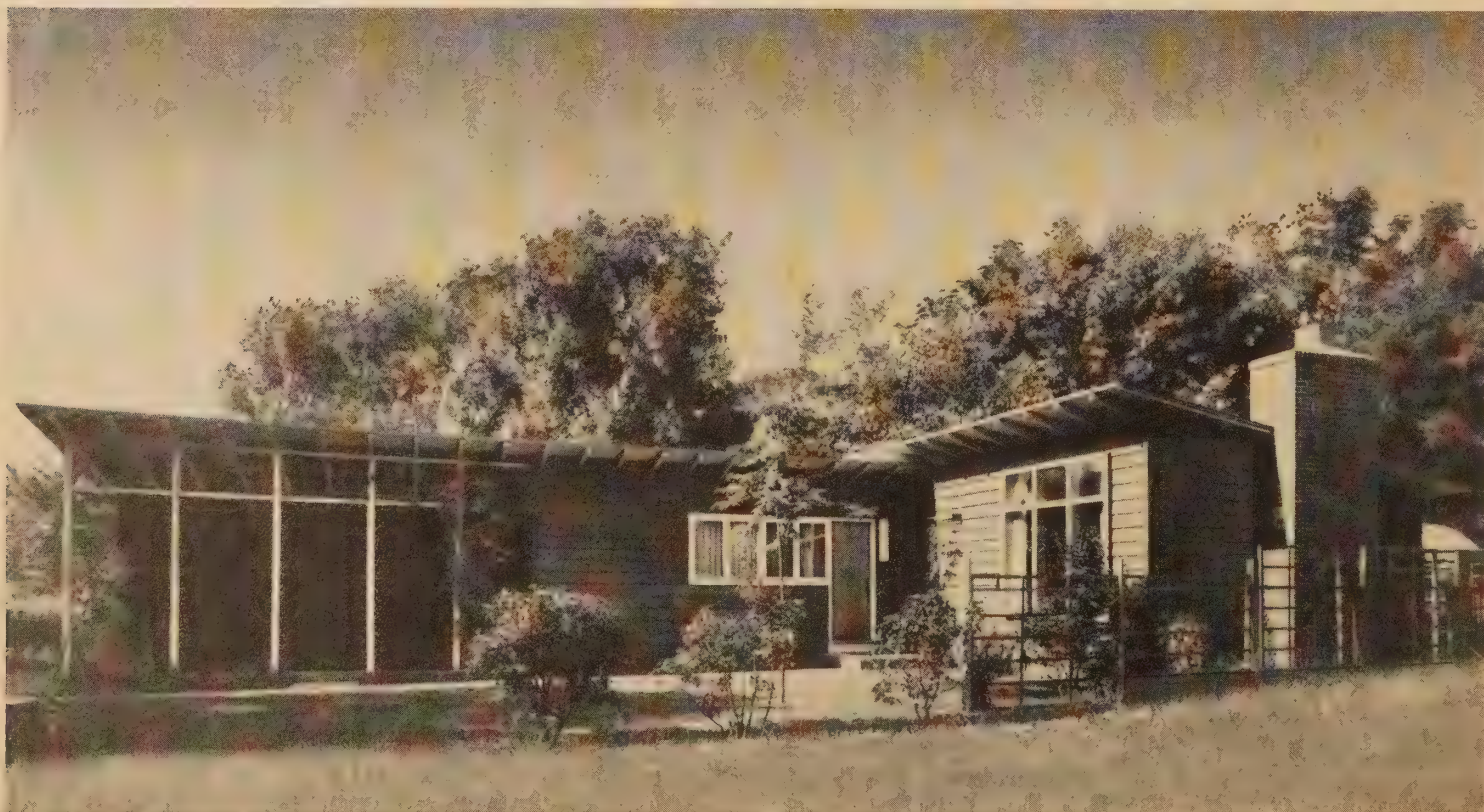
1503
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *W. D. Riddle*
AREA: *875 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *56x32 feet*



*L-shape plan house fits
a straight and narrow lot*

Simple shed roof and resulting high front wall leave plenty of room for the studio window in the living room. Carport can easily be converted to extension of the bedroom wing.





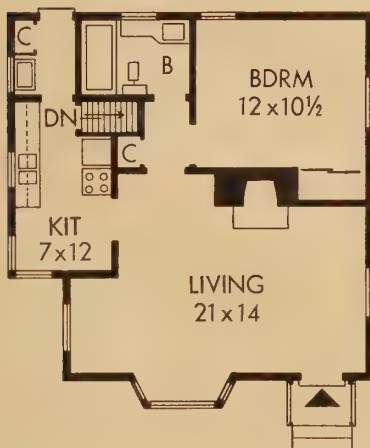
IF YOU NEED ONLY ONE BEDROOM, THIS HOUSE IS FOR YOU

The one-bedroom home is economical for childless couples or for those whose children have grown and gone. The plan for the house shown here includes a living room, kitchen, bathroom, and bedroom arranged with as little waste space as possible.

Alcove at the left end of living room is an ideal place for studio bed for guests. A bay window lets in light from the streetside, windows in each end of the

room introduce additional light and ventilation. That's a big advantage of small homes—they're usually light and airy.

The kitchen is compactly arranged in three sections—service, working, and eating areas. There's a utility closet in the kitchen, "put-away" storage space in the attic, a linen closet in the hall, and a large wardrobe closet in the bedroom.



Broad chimney, wood-shingle roof, and wide →
clapboard siding combine to form a pleas-
ing exterior. For economy, the architect
laid out the house on a 26-foot square.



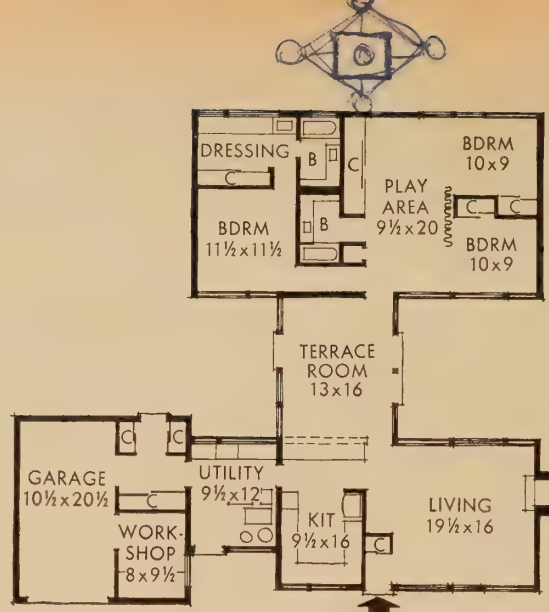
1705
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Gates W. Burrows*
AREA: 676 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 26x26 feet

UNUSUAL PLAN ACHIEVES GOOD AREA SEPARATION

A delightful terrace room gives this home its flowing unity, also serves to separate living and sleeping zones.

In the sleeping wing, two children's bedrooms, and master bedroom and bath are a complete unit in themselves.



*Functional design
employs H-plan
in imaginative way*

2309

Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: *Buderus and Siegwart*
AREA: *1,453 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *63x54 feet*

Typifying the beauty and practicality you seek in a one-story frame home, Five Star 2309 combines looks and convenience in a highly successful and economical fashion.



THE TWO-LEVEL HOUSE SAVES COSTS, SOLVES PROBLEMS

Two-level planning is a variation of the one-story house. It's one story with the basement daylighted in rear for light and view.

It amounts to a full two-story house with a lower floor costing little more than a regular basement.



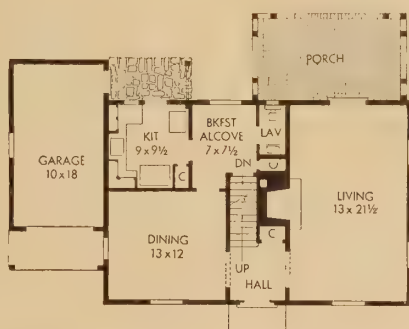
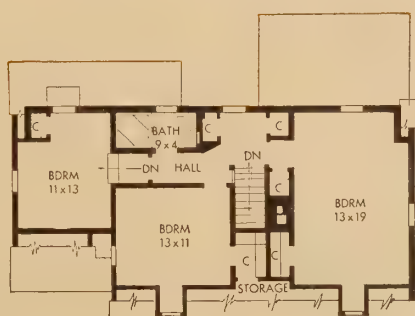
2503

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Carl Graffunder*
AREA: *2,112 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *56x52 feet*



Chimney and front walls are brick, side walls shingle



← Home's larger-than-average living room has both a fireplace and a screened porch to make it superior in livability year around.

What might have been wastespace above attached garage provides an economical third bedroom.

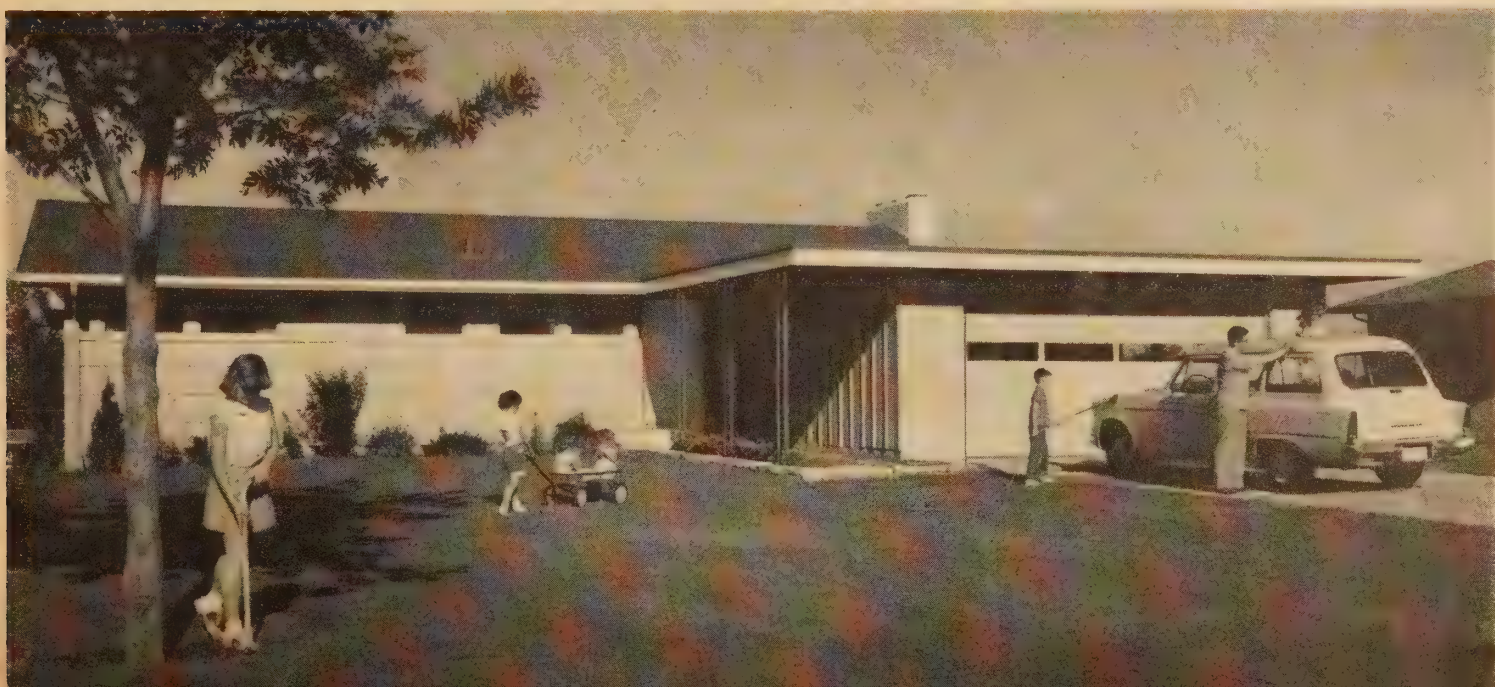
CLASSICAL LINES HAVE AN ENDURING APPEAL

This handsome home is the pleasing outcome of co-operative planning by 13 architects who pooled their ideas and efforts to produce the kind of home the middle income family desires.

As the conservative two-story plan reveals, these architects have considered economy as carefully as they have beauty in the end product.

1005
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Kenneth W. Dalzell*
AREA: 1,603 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 45x32 feet



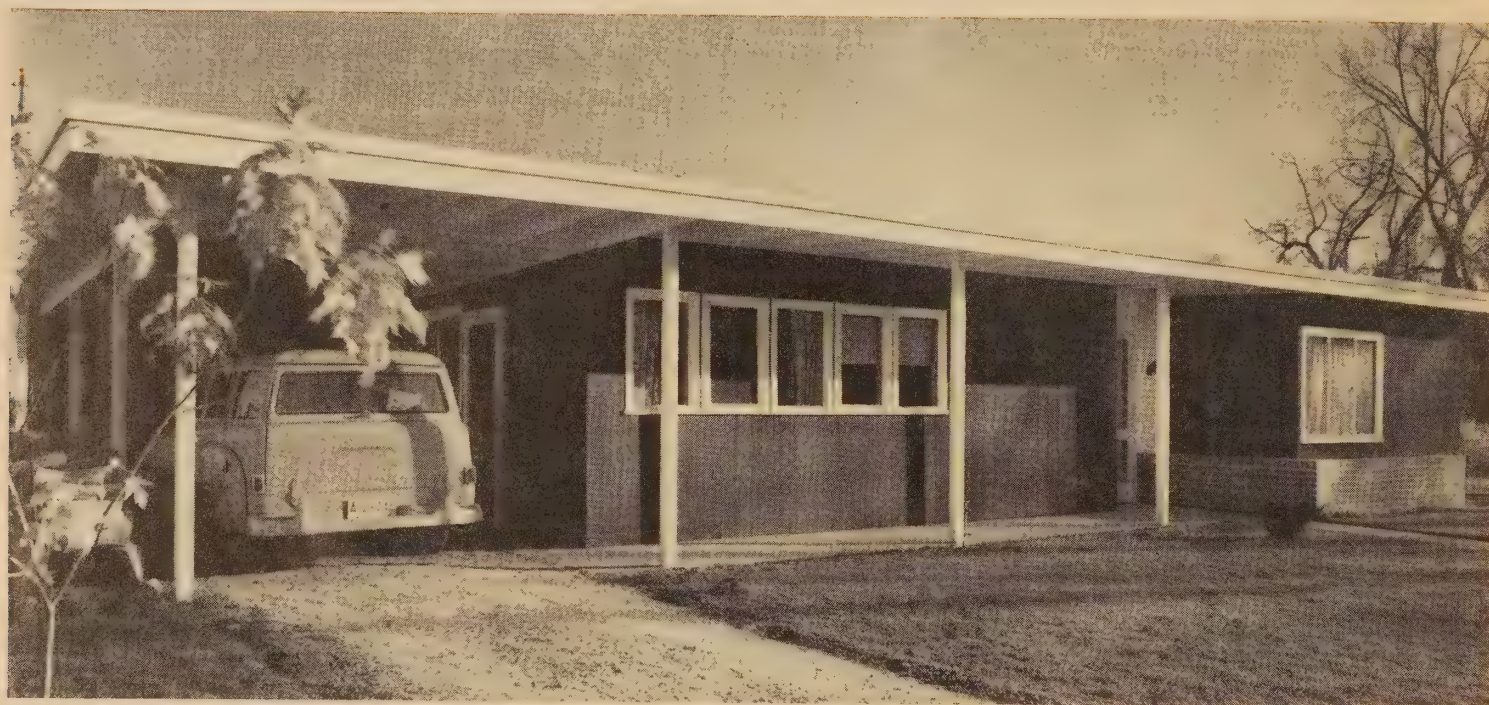
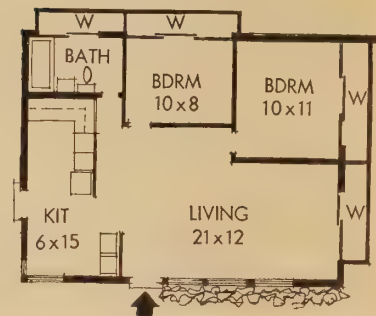
UNBELIEVABLE LIVING CAPACITY IN THIS LOW-COST CONTEMPORARY HOME

Multiply the 715 square feet of living space in Five Star Home 2406 by the average building cost per square foot in your community—you'll be surprised. Here's quality and completeness at a price well within average means. Here's proof, too, that floor-to-ceiling windows, extended eaves, and room-length storage walls aren't features to be used only in higher-priced homes.

2406
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Gordon Ingraham*
AREA: 715 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 32x26 feet

Cantilevered storage units also serve design purpose—they overcome "boxy" shape of house, add interesting shadow lines. Concrete block walls are exposed inside, two-inch tongue-and-groove roofing serves as both sheathing and interior ceiling finish.



THIS STORY-AND-A-HALF HOUSE HAS SNUG ONE-STORY APPEARANCE

Space is the item you pay for when you build a house. In Five Star Home 1907, you get your money's worth. It looks like one of today's one-story homes, but has space upstairs for a bedroom and bath. The entrance hall is a traffic center; to get from service or living areas to sleeping areas, or to any room from outdoors, you go through it.

1907
Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: *O'Dell, Hewlett, and Luckenbach*
AREA: 1,569 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 55x46½ feet



Second floor

First floor



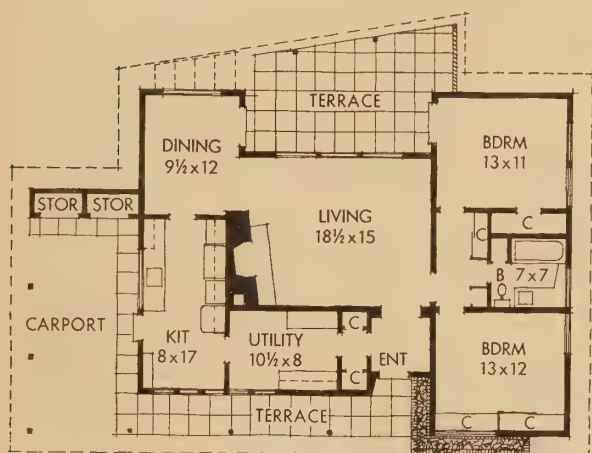
A combination of warm brick, white siding, and dark shutters gives this home its close-to-the-ground looks. But the house is actually quite spacious—large enough for any average family.



← Streetside of Five Star Home 2310 is clean, simple—a fact that makes home inviting, keeps cost down. Vertical siding, planter, roof overhang, trim keep design from becoming severe. Materials inside and out are easy to care for and are available throughout the country.

HERE'S AN ECONOMY HOUSE WITH THREE UNITIZED ACTIVITY AREAS

Well-defined activity areas make it easy to live in this small house. Bedroom wing makes a compact rectangular unit—buffed from living areas by a hall. Living-dining areas open to each other with only a fireplace wall defining areas of furniture placement. Exceptionally developed kitchen-utility area has service door to carport, direct passage to the front door. Kitchen is ideally located at side of the house.



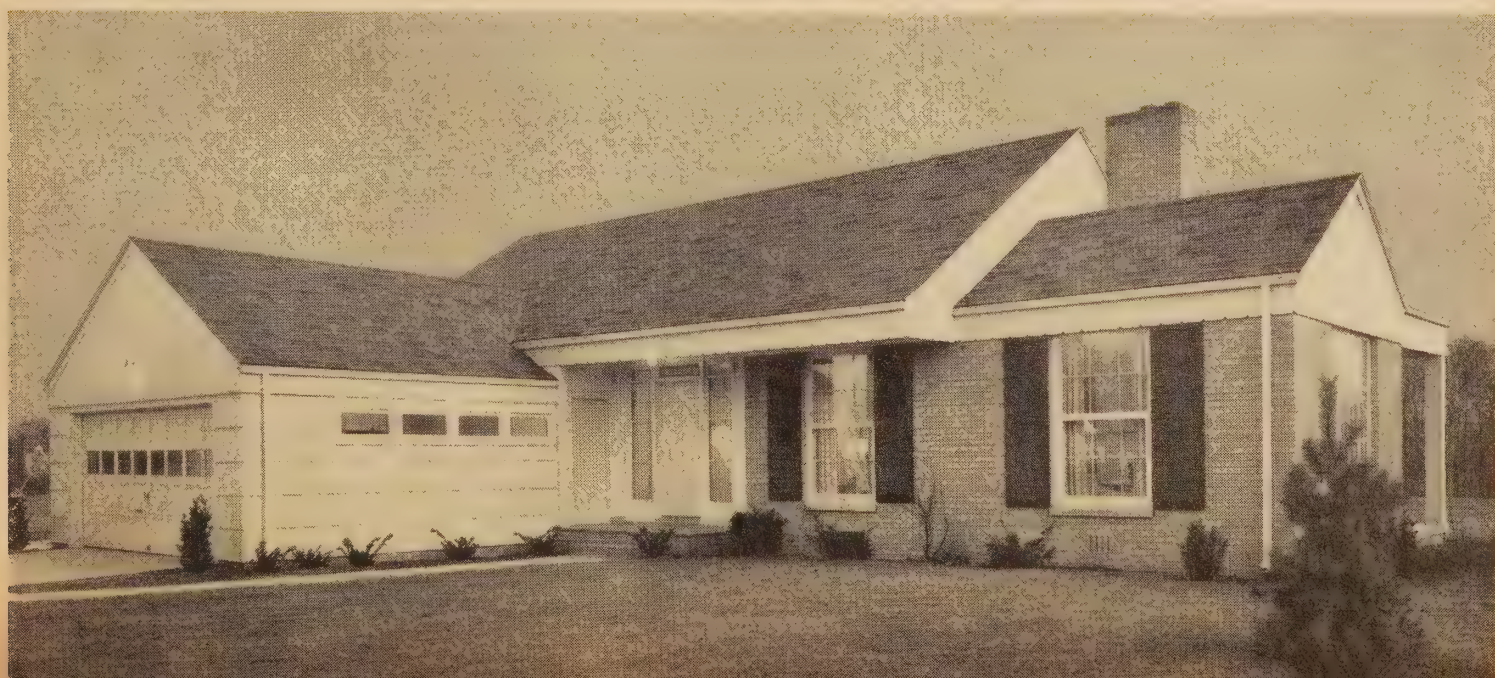
2310

Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: *Hummel, Hummel, and Jones*

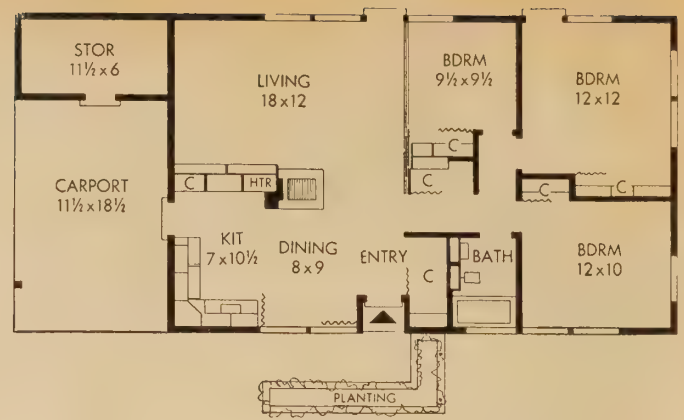
AREA: 1,209 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 55x35 feet



COMPACT PLAN: 3 BEDROOMS IN 1,000 SQUARE FEET

Rooms can share space with one another in this house. Soundproof sliding wall makes it possible to use third bedroom as part of living room. Living room is away from traffic, you enter it only when you want to stay. Screen sets off kitchen from dining area when desired.



2206
Five Star Home

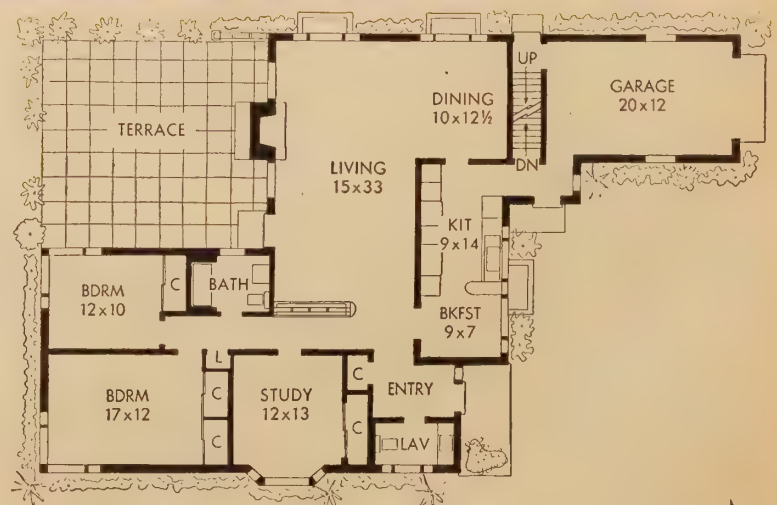
DESIGNER: *Levitt and Sons*
AREA: 1,000 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 52x25 feet

Here's economy: light truss roof over a simple, cost-slashing rectangular frame. Inexpensive carport fits easily into plan. Plant box locates entry, ties house down, adds privacy to dining area. Exterior walls are asbestos board.



THIS HOME WILL FIT INTO AN ESTABLISHED NEIGHBORHOOD

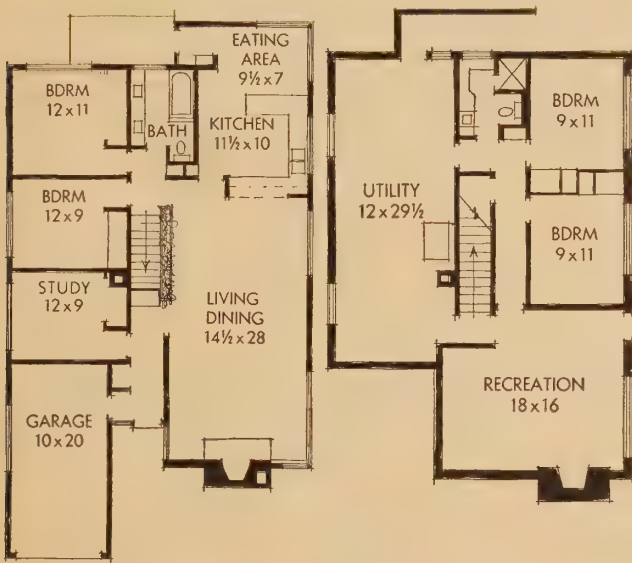
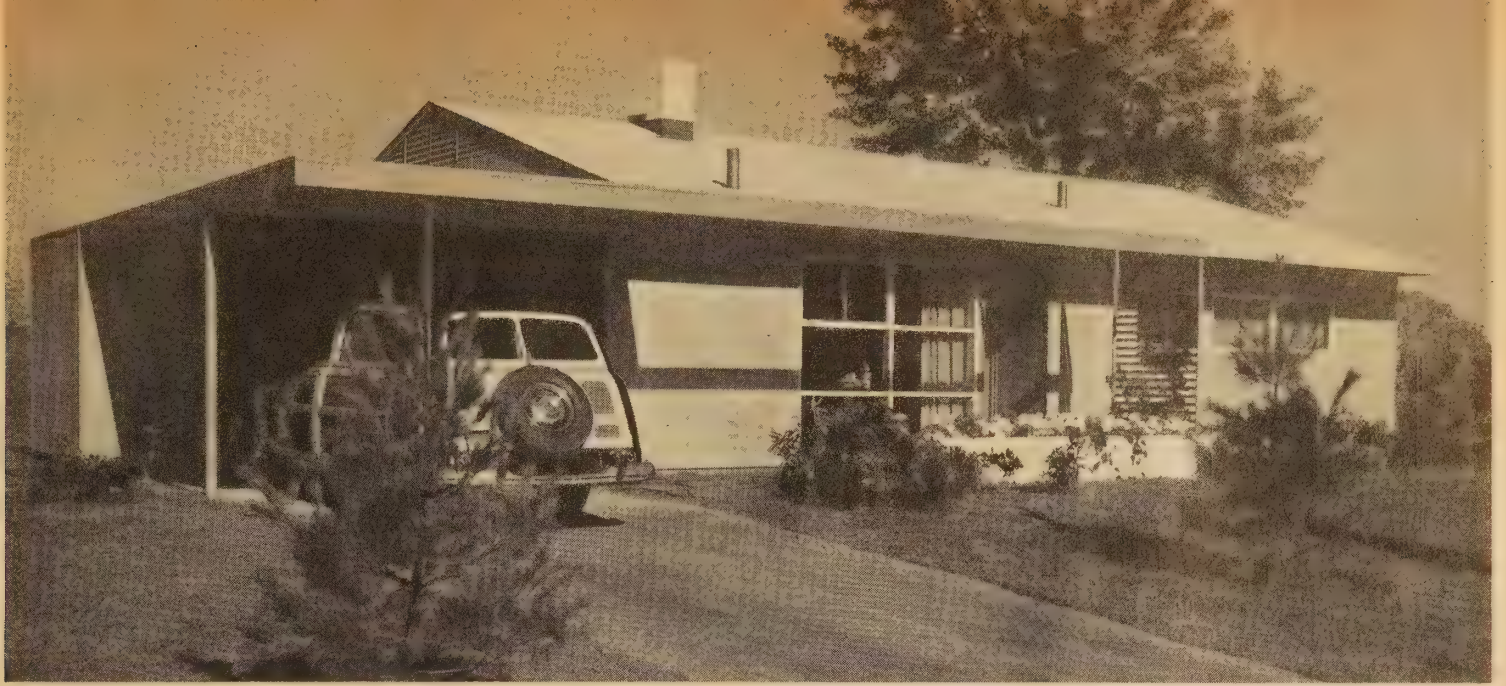
Six-foot roof overhang shades living-dining area effectively whether Five Star Home 2212 is oriented to the south, east, or west. Placement of garage is logical, too. On the west or north, it serves as a buffer against winter winds and the hot setting sun of summer.



2212
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Chester Jones*
AREA: 1,765 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 49x74 feet

This house fits on a 60-foot inside lot as comfortably as it does here on a corner lot. The kitchen-breakfast area is on the front with large windows for light, has direct access to the garage. Living-dining areas open onto the terrace at rear.



A WELL-EXECUTED HOUSE FOR A NARROW HILLSIDE LOT

Designed for a 45-foot lot, Five Star Home 2402 fits both level and sloping site. If your lot is level, first floor alone gives you a three-bedroom home. You could add just enough basement to house the utilities. House at left is built on a grade of 20 per cent. Interior privacy is due to the streetside placement of the garage, hall, and fireplace wall. Entry hall and stairs divide living from sleeping zone.

← Architect took advantage of hillside lot to daylight the lower level on exposed side. Upper level provides view of countryside rather than near-by houses. Floor plan shows span of living, dining, and kitchen on the view side.

2402

Five Star Home

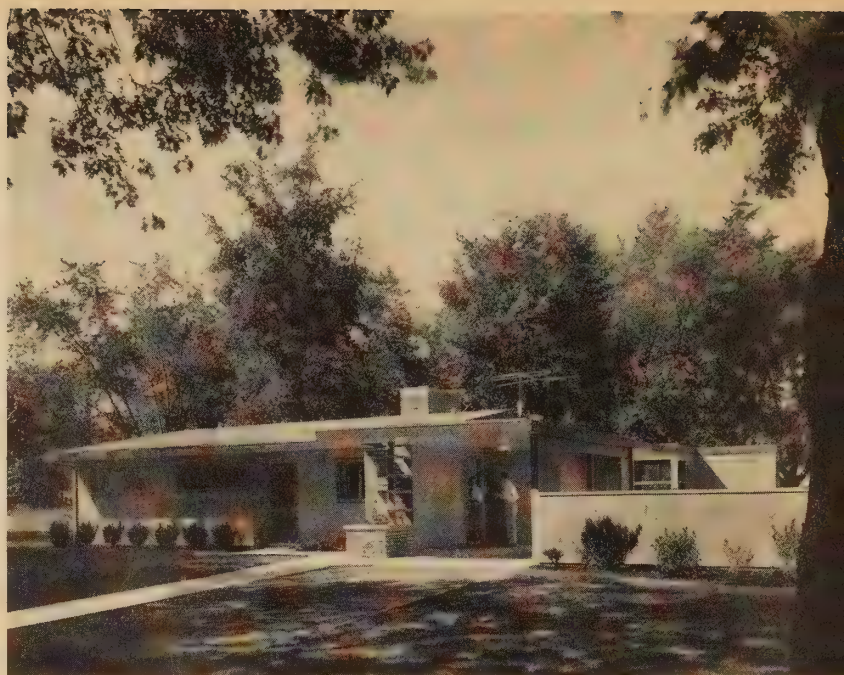
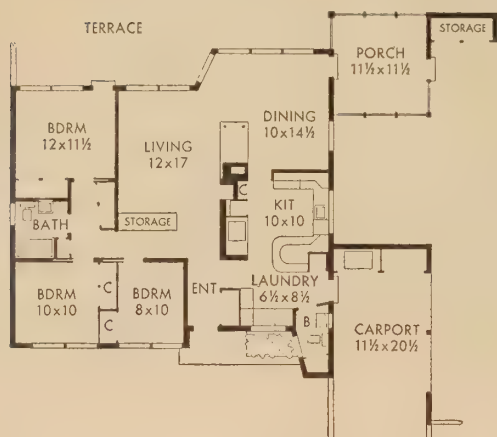
ARCHITECT: *Don McKee*

AREA: 2,420 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 32x56 feet



IT'S ENGINEERED TO SPEED HOUSEKEEPING CHORES



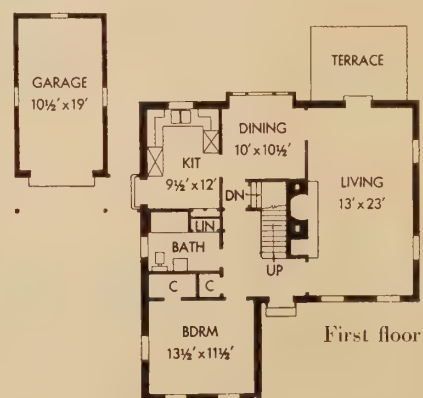
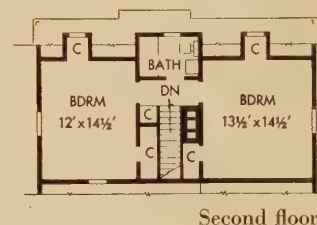
Here's a plan that proves you don't need a large, expensive home to achieve streamlined housekeeping efficiency. Five Star 2205 offers easy living in just 1,265 square feet — but not at the expense of desirable separation of work and quiet zones. Trim lines of exterior are set off by 1x4 inch vertical siding. Masonry planter blends with stone of fireplace. Carport storage unit keeps rear porch private.

2205
Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: *Palmquist and Wright*
AREA: 1,265 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 58 1/2 x 52 1/2 feet

HERE'S PRACTICAL, TRADITIONAL STYLING WITH AN EFFICIENT, UP-TO-DATE PLAN

Many families have a warm spot in their hearts for a touch of tradition in home design. And yet they demand the best in modern planning. This home has both. The exterior Traditional flavor is matched inside by a good plan.

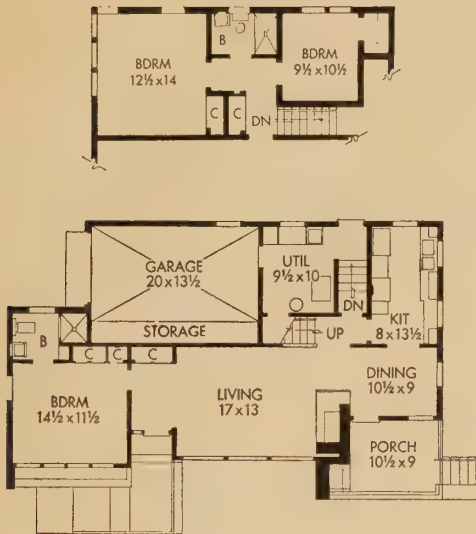


Five Star 1801 has the snug traditional hominess that's so much a part of America's dream — soft blue shutters, against whitewashed brick, a high-pitched roof, a huge white chimney capped with black, and a white picket fence across front.

1801
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *S. Harold Fenno*
AREA: 1,485 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 51 x 50 feet

THIS HOUSE TAKES ADVANTAGE OF THE SUN



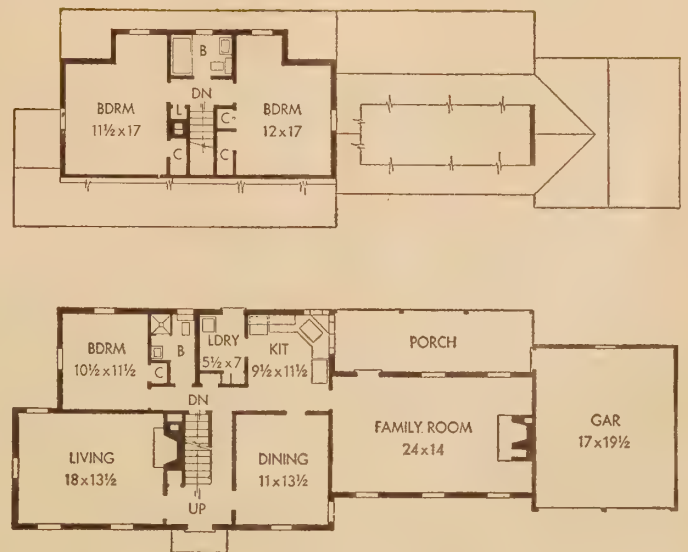
1703
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *David S. Barrow*
AREA: 1,600 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 36 1/2 x 57 feet

By orientating living room glass areas to the south even the palest winter sunshine can help to cut fuel bills in this split-level home. In summer the deep overhang keeps high sun from striking glass. Note unusual bedroom arrangement.

ALL-PURPOSE FAMILY ROOM IS KEY FEATURE OF THIS PLAN

A large family room and screened porch join house and garage of this conservatively designed home. A massive fireplace at one end of the family room makes this area a favorite gathering spot for old and young alike. Kitchen is near by for hurry-up snacks or for full meals in front of the television. And best of all, teen-agers can entertain here without disturbing rest of the house.



You'll find an efficient plan, plus abundant space the entire family can enjoy in this Traditionally designed family home



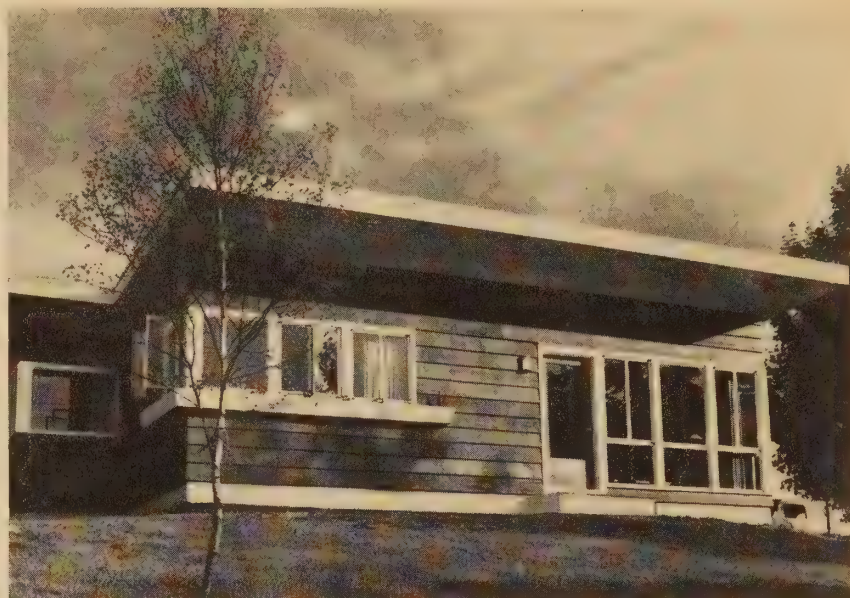
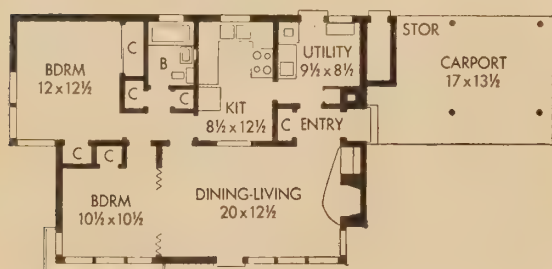
1804
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *George Paul*
AREA: 1,740 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 79 1/2 x 26 feet

GOOD DESIGN PRODUCES A HOME LOW IN PRICE, HIGH IN LIVABILITY

Here's evidence you can still have good design at modest cost.

This budget house—just under 1,000 square feet—is packed with big-house features: dual purpose carport-porch, separate entry hall, pass-through in kitchen, a fireplace, and multipurpose space adjoining the living area.



In lieu of basement and attic storage, home has 7 closets. Outside storage space at end of the carport holds screens and gardening tools. Laundry facilities share space in utility room with the heating plant and water heater. Three inches of insulation in outside walls, 6 inches in the ceiling make Five Star Home 2112 warm in winter, more efficient to cool during summer months. Livability abounds here in only 981 square feet of space.

2112
Five Star Home

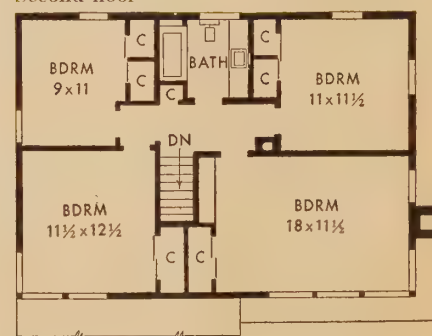
ARCHITECT: *Victor Civkin*
AREA: 981 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 42 1/2 x 26 1/2 feet

TWO-STORY CONSTRUCTION CUTS COSTS

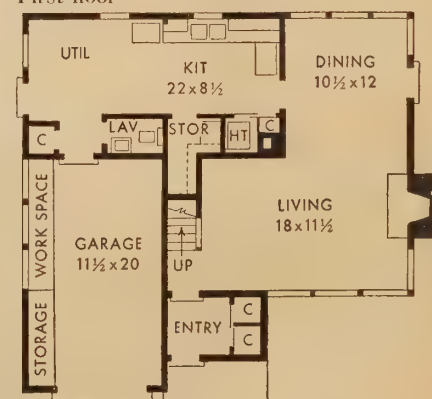
This home embodies three big advantages of two-story construction: (1) It's cheaper to build per square foot of floor space; (2) it's the answer to small lot space limitations; (3) upstairs bedrooms offer greater privacy.



Second floor



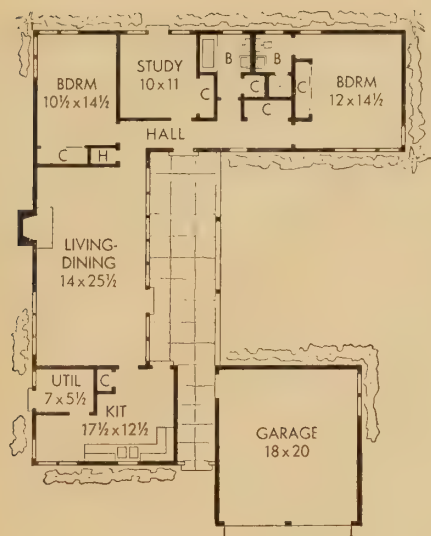
First floor



2203
Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: *Petroff and Clarkson*
AREA: 1,814 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 36x33 feet

HERE'S GOOD USE OF THE U-SHAPE PLAN



2302
Five Star Home

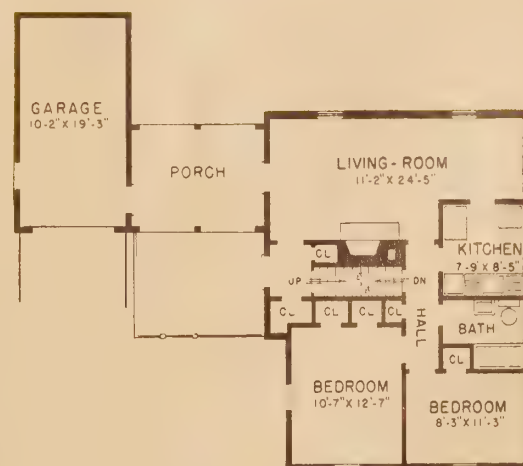
ARCHITECT: *Joseph Stewart*
AREA: 1,428 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 48 1/2 x 64 1/2 feet

You'll look long before finding space used more wisely and imaginatively than in this home. Examine the U-shaped plan and you'll find ideal separation of active and quiet areas. Window wall in living room makes outdoors part of interior.

THIS EXPANSIBLE CAPE COD HOME WILL GROW WITH YOUR FAMILY



Garage and house form an inviting L that leads to the front door. As you enter you find two handy coat closets in an entrance hall. Front corner bedroom has two closets, and there's a linen closet close to the bath. Chalk up further plus marks for these features: (1) a combination porch and covered connection with the garage in the form of the breezeway; (2) economical central plumbing; and (3) expansible space upstairs for two future bedrooms.



Here's easy-to-live-in Cape Cod design that will grow with your family and budget. The first floor—a complete house in itself—can be built first with expansible space left upstairs for two bedrooms and a bath. Or, this area could become a large family room.

1205
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Royal Barry Wills*
AREA: 850 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 49 1/2 x 42 feet

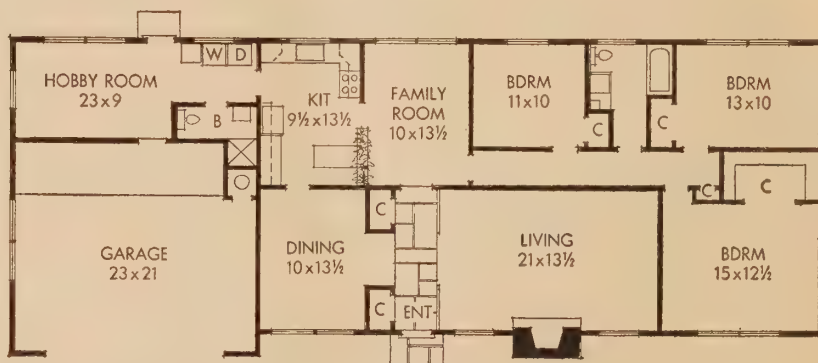


A GROUND-HUGGING BEAUTY THAT ENDS YOUR SEARCH

You'll switch from house-hunter to lot-looker after trying on this home for size and style. It's a honey to look at—a pleasure to live in. But best of all, it unites Traditional beauty with an up-to-date plan.

Central entry separates activities—living to right, dining to left, and family room and bedrooms straight ahead. Kitchen serves as a hub for family, dining, and hobby rooms.

Stroll by this colorful, confident house. You can't help but be impressed by the way everything—door, windows, garage, even roof and chimney—fits naturally together. Yet the house seems much larger than its 77-foot frontage. The plan is simple and straightforward, and lives that way. If you choose a basement, stairs fit in place of washer-dryer.



2905

Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: *Jones and Duncan*
AREA: 1,684 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 77x31 feet

This back yard is a summertime living room. Back door opens from the terrace to kitchen and utility room. You can carry garden tools from the back yard to storage area in the garage through trip-saving doors in the utility room; and you can wash hands in bath opposite washer-dryer. Four-pane window lights family room and opens view to terrace.

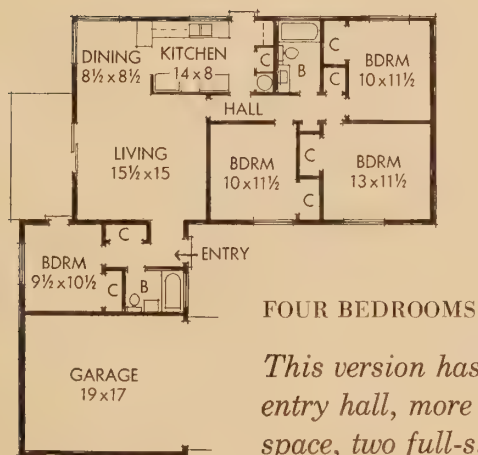




The L-shaped house has garage in front, making room for back terrace on a small lot, and also giving house the visual sweep necessary for a large lot. Generous 32-inch roof over-

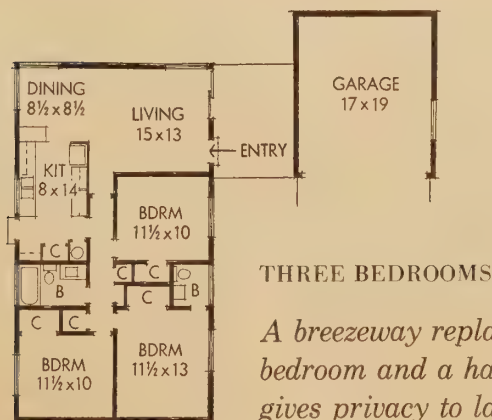
hang imparts a long, low look. Area between garage and house is entry hall, extra bedroom, and bathroom. Same area is a breezeway on the three-bedroom version.

YOU CAN HAVE THREE BEDROOMS . . . OR FOUR



FOUR BEDROOMS

This version has a larger entry hall, more storage space, two full-size baths.



THREE BEDROOMS

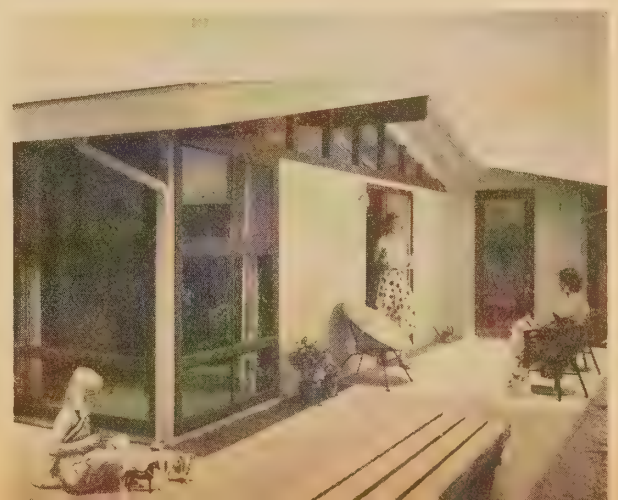
A breezeway replaces extra bedroom and a half-bath gives privacy to largest bedroom.

This versatile house comes in two sizes, with your choice of three, or four bedrooms. Both sizes make good use of glass, with floor-to-ceiling windows in the living, dining, and bedrooms, and sliding glass doors in the living room opening onto a terrace.

A snack bar separates the kitchen and the dining room, and doubles as a serving counter. The kitchen has roomy cabinets on both walls, an exhaust fan, and a door that opens onto the back terrace.

The two bathrooms in the four-bedroom house are close to the bedrooms; the three-bedroom version includes a bath-and-a-half.

Glass corner of house, and glass in gable brighten the dining and living areas. Offset at right is an extra bedroom, with a door that opens on the terrace.



2606

Five Star Home

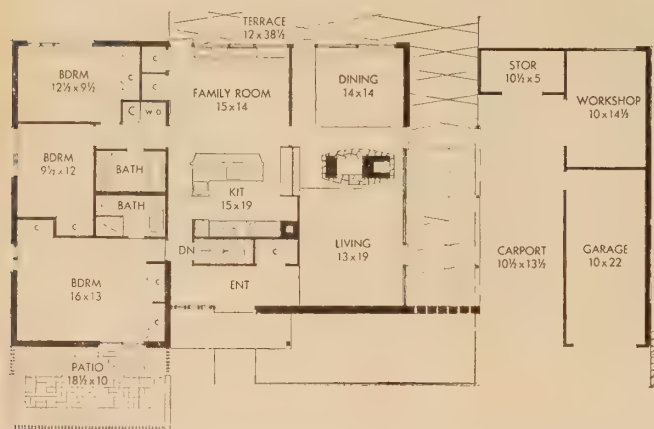
ARCHITECTS: Whitney Smith and Wayne Williams

AREA: Four bedroom house, 1,263 square feet
Three bedroom house, 1,043 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 54x49 feet

THREE BEDROOM GROUPING AND TODAY'S LOW STYLE

An activity center—entry, kitchen, family room and adjoining storage—is key to this plan. This central core will help your family to enjoy the things they like to do together. Home's division of activities is excellent.



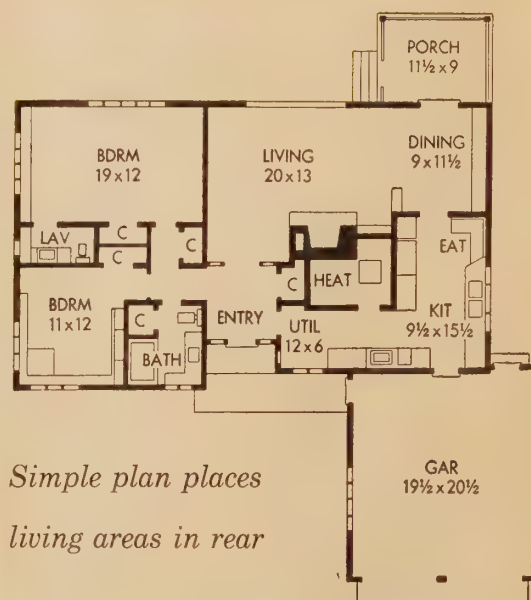
Yes, this house is Contemporary, but you'll find in it a timeless grace that will make you feel at home. Concrete brick teams with board-and-batten siding and a wood-shake roof for a texture contrast. The single roof line unifies home. Opening in roof indicates a sheltered outdoor sitting room off living area; there's another adjoining master bedroom.

2909-A
Five Star Home

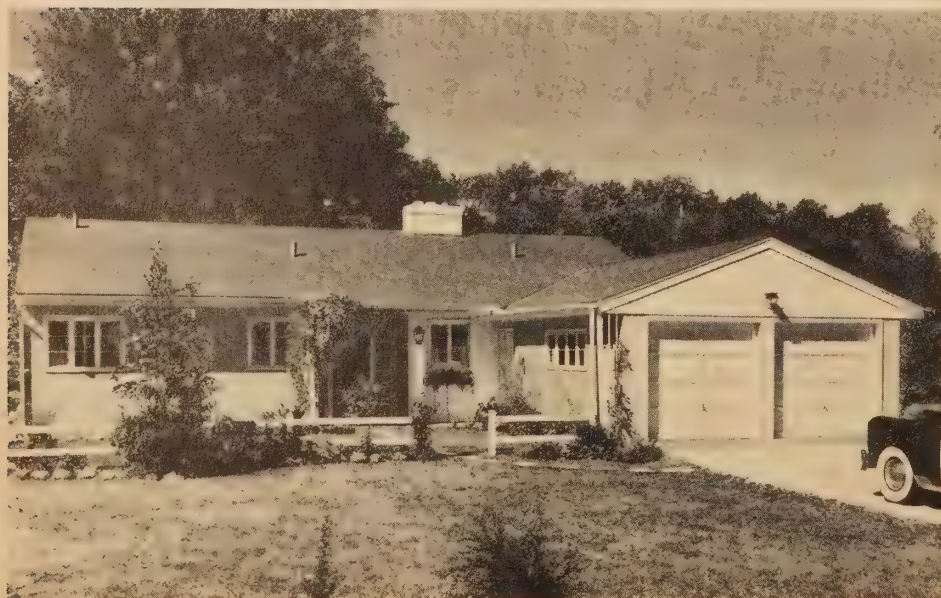
ARCHITECT: Donald H. Honn
AREA: 1,730 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 77x35 feet

THIS TWO BEDROOM HOME IS IDEAL FOR A SMALL FAMILY

Count the convenience features of this inviting home: one-level design means no stair climbing; its kitchen has lots of counter and storage space and an eating area; the porch is around back where it's private. Plan-wise, the central entry distributes traffic to all parts of the house, yet rooms remain private. Sleeping area has spacious master bedroom, plus a guest room.



*Simple plan places
living areas in rear*



Adding spice to the streetside looks of Five Star 2009 are the crisp white fence, the attractive lamppost and trellis, and judicious use of vertical siding. Windows facing street are designed for privacy; view windows are in rear.

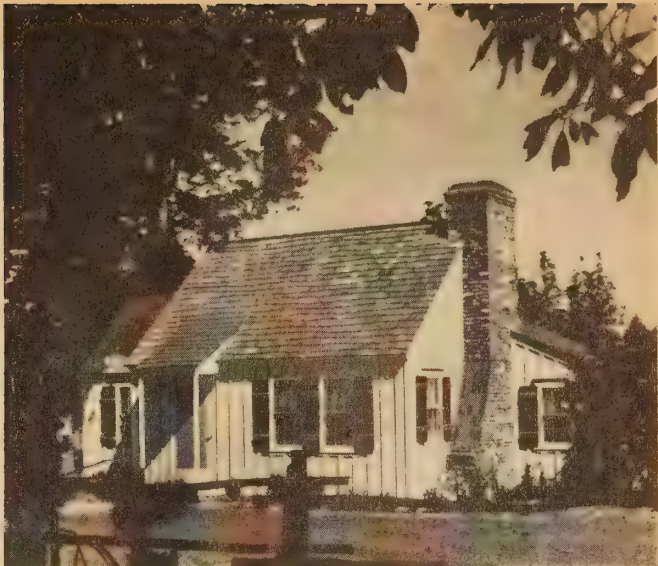
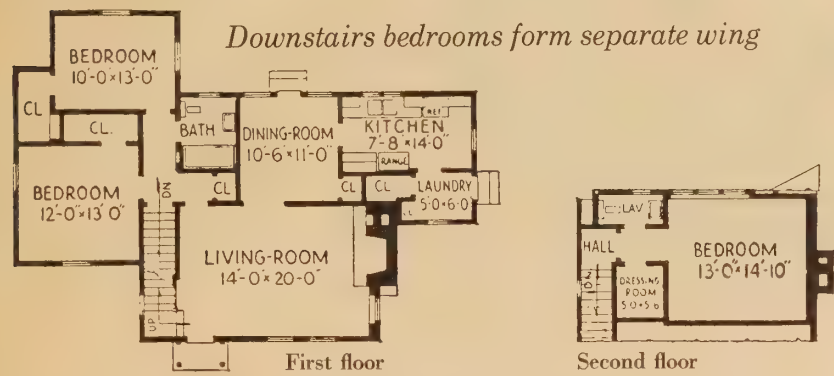
Deep roof overhang projects to cover walk from garage to recessed front entrance.

2009
Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: Bradley & Bradley
AREA: 1,432 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 55x58 feet

AN INEXPENSIVE SMALLER HOME CAN POSSESS RUSTIC CHARM

Here’s a home that has been stripped of unnecessary details. Its appeal depends upon high roof lines, a pleasing mass, and a textural quality produced by lights and shadows on white board-and-batten walls. Roof shingles laid irregularly add a softening effect.



Enormously appealing feature of the exterior design is the generously proportioned brick chimney made from old brick, unevenly laid, and finished with deeply raked joints.

904

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: Arthur F. Herberger

AREA: 1,320 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 34x47 feet

BIG HOUSE LOOKS COME FROM SKILLED OPEN PLANNING OF LIVING AREAS

A small house can give the illusion of being larger than it really is. *Open planning* is the magic worker. Five Star Home 1707 illustrates how easily a comfortable, partitionless area can be arranged. Walls are included only where needed to divide living from sleeping and service areas.

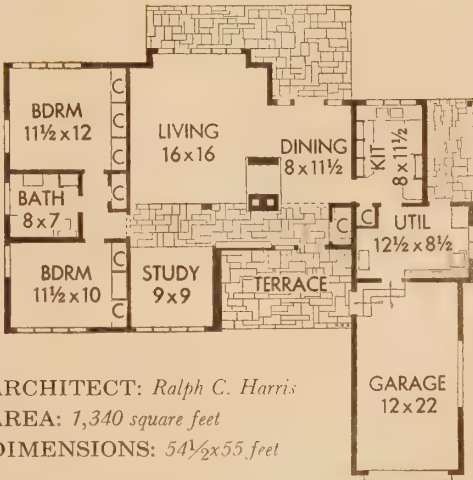
1707

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: Ralph C. Harris

AREA: 1,340 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 54½x55 feet





STONE CHIMNEY ADDS DISTINCTIVENESS

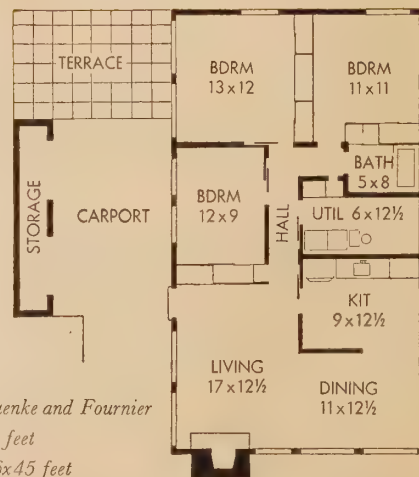
Here's a three-bedroom plan developed within the rigid limits of an economical rectangle only 26x45 feet in size. Open and spacious feeling has been developed through a generous but practical use of glass, sloping ceilings and minimum partitions to get a smooth indoor-outdoor transition. Utility room houses all of the laundry and heating facilities.

Economical to construct, house is built on a concrete slab over gravel. There's room for bulk storage at side of carport. Exterior finish includes waterproof sheathing and insulation.

2301

Five Star Home

ARCHITECTS: *Duenke and Fournier*
AREA: 1,168 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 26x45 feet



IT'S CRISP, IT'S TRIM, IT'S THE TRADITIONAL DUTCH COLONIAL

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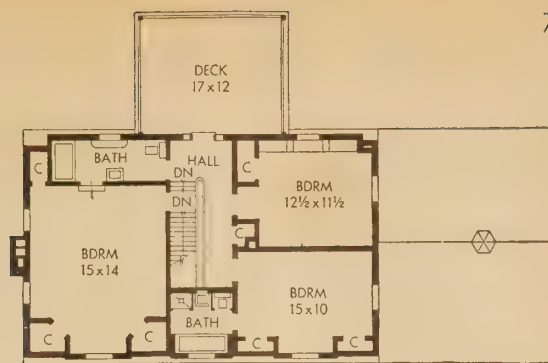
Long-time American favorite, this traditional Dutch Colonial house has a clean, fresh look that speaks of comfortable living. The dark shutters that outline dormers and front entrance, and texture of the cedar shingles contrast with the white siding.

Balanced placement of doors and windows, skillfully matched horizontal and vertical lines compose a pleasing exterior design. Dutch gambrel roof and black-copper chimney are effective accents.

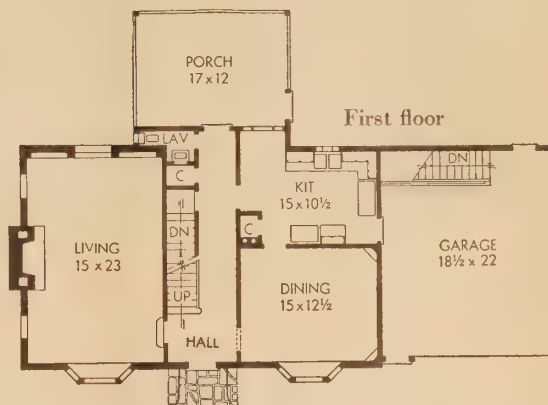
Wide lines of the attached garage are in good harmony with the horizontal lines of the house. Nice extra is the screened porch at the back of the house, with deck above on bedroom floor.

1405
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Clarence W. Lampe*
AREA: 1,830 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 61½x39 feet



Second floor



First floor

DESIGNED TO FIT A BROAD CITY LOT

By placing this house broadside to the street, you have the bedrooms located on one side and at the rear. A screened porch at rear offers the privacy you like. The combination of vertical boards and battens and beveled horizontal siding presents a striking exterior design. Moldings are flat, thus easy to paint.

This one-story house includes two bedrooms and good closet space in its well-arranged plan. Inviting entrance is protected by roof overhang. Strong contrast between light and dark colors—here blue and earth brown—adds to the attractiveness of the house, is in harmony with over-all design.



1807-A
Five Star Home

DESIGNER: *Frank W. Sharp*
AREA: 850 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 50x26 feet





2903-A

This version's best if the street is busy or the western sun's a problem. Windows under eaves light one bed-

room and bath; one high window faces the street. Canopy directs attention to a crisply styled entry.

2903-B

The wonderful texture of stone gives warmth to this house. Note that all stone is concentrated in one spot

for emphasis, pleasing line. The front bedroom has a large window in three sections (one opens).



AN OUTSTANDING HOUSE—FOUR WAYS

Any one of these four houses could be your next home. Each looks excitingly different from the others. Yet—and this may surprise you—all have the same plan.

Study the plan at right and compare it with these photographs. (Two houses shown above are reversed, left to right.) Note how a few surface changes have dramatically altered the character of these handsome houses, giving each a unique flavor.

We found these Five Star homes in the Lortondale development, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Builder Howard Grubb wanted to avoid a “subdivision look” without losing the advantages of mass building. So he asked architect Donald Honn for a “family” of individual designs that would hold costs down, yet produce a group of good-looking, good-living houses. Here’s what Honn did to put sparkle into each one:



2903-C

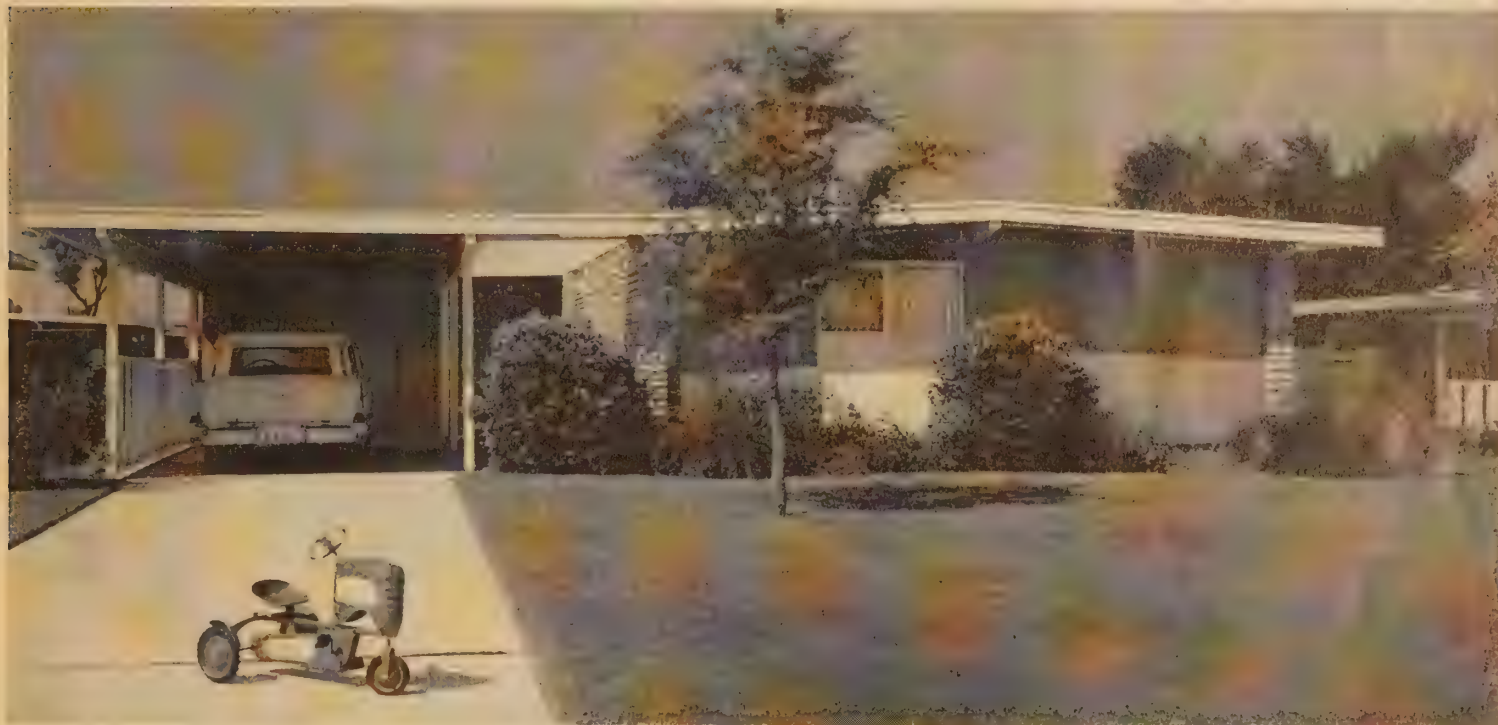
For more secluded locations, this house has larger windows on street side. Shoulder-high stone wall carries

across front to form an entry court. Open grid above creates nice shadows, admits sun to plantings

2903-D

This plan solves two-car parking problems, provides a sheltered route to the front door. Carport added in

front permits garage to be used as storage area, if needed. Roof line is cut out to brighten entry.



2903

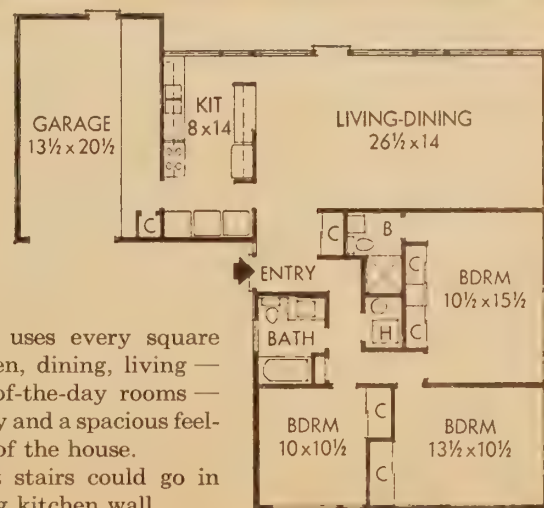
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Donald Honn*
AREA: 1,270 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 49x45 feet

Roof varies only in grid overhang and direction of slope. Note how continuous line unites each of these houses with its attached car shelter.

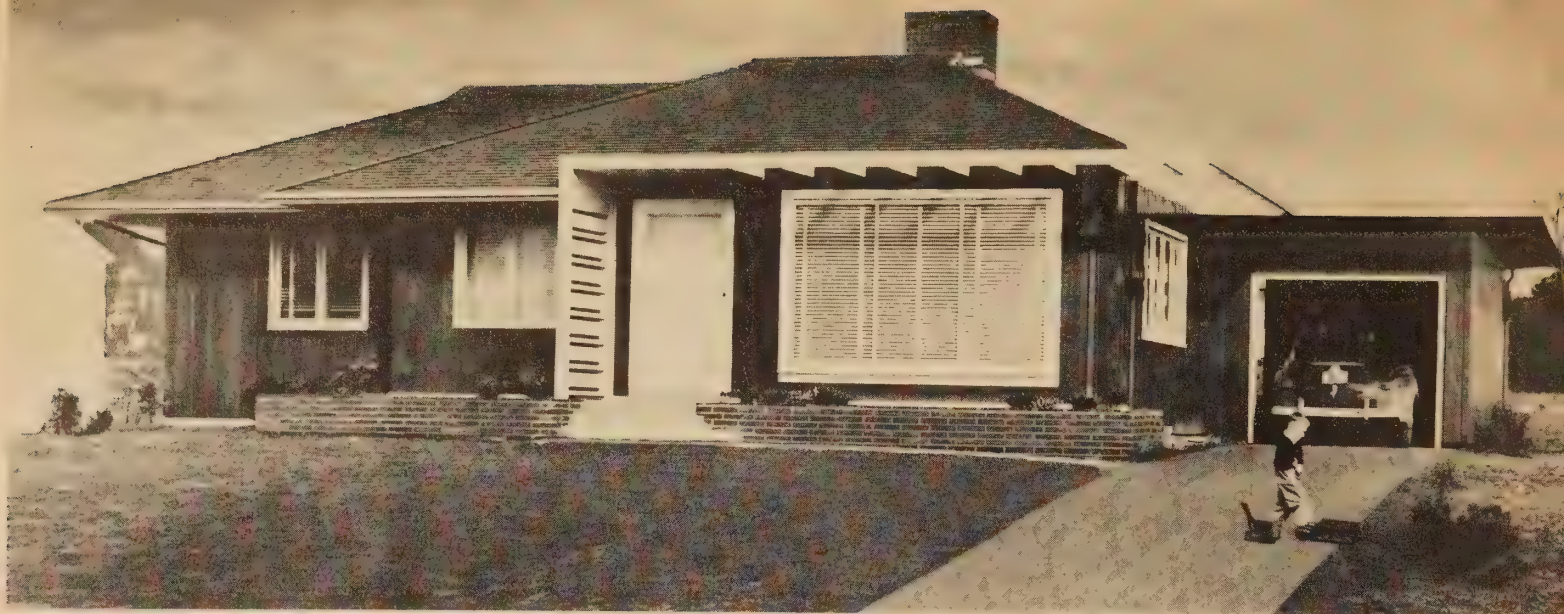
Walls change only in texture, pattern, color—not in basic framework. Materials aren't scattered; each one is placed to give it importance, unify the house.

Window location in each house is quite similar, but varied enough to make windows suit the total design.



This house uses every square foot. Kitchen, dining, living — your most-of-the-day rooms — have privacy and a spacious feeling at rear of the house.

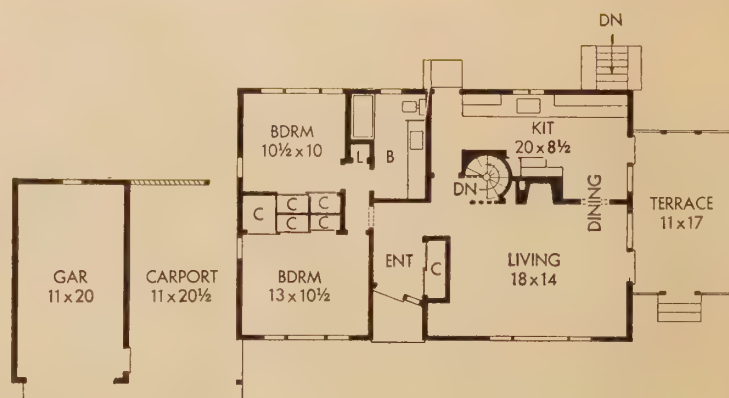
Basement stairs could go in garage along kitchen wall.



EMPHASIS ON LIVING AND WORK SPACE IS BUILT IN

Especially designed for the space conscious is Five Star 1912 which borrows from little-used rooms and puts space where it gets 24-hour use. Equally important, it provides abundant storage.

Throughout the entire house, as the floor plan indicates, are many easily accessible closets and cabinets. The kitchen has storage lining a whole wall; each bedroom has good clothes, luggage space, a handy coat closet is located in the front hall.



Unusual feature of this house is a circular staircase connecting first floor and basement. Normally, such stairs consume about 45 square feet of space. These take just 20, as steps curve around a three-inch length of steel pipe. To get bulky objects in and out of basement, there's an outside stairway at the back of the house.

The convenience of having both garage and carport means plentiful storage space for incidental outdoor equipment without making your automobile a seasonal orphan. Neat-looking pitched roof that covers both garage and carport gives house an impressive appearance.

1912

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Robert George*

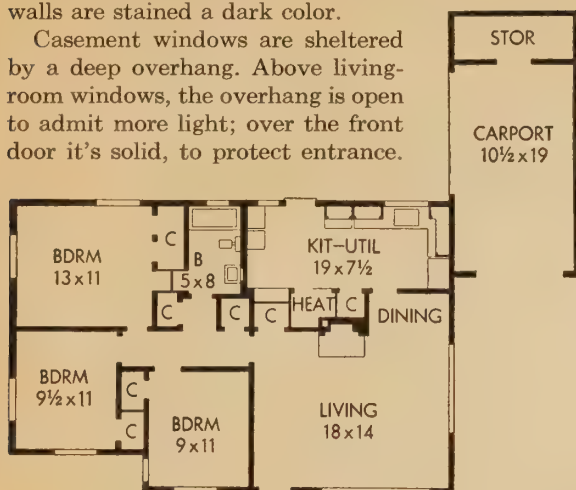
AREA: *1,053 square feet*

DIMENSIONS: *63 1/2 x 30 1/2 feet*



White trim around windows and doors is the only painting you'll need to do on this house since its exterior walls are stained a dark color.

Casement windows are sheltered by a deep overhang. Above living-room windows, the overhang is open to admit more light; over the front door it's solid, to protect entrance.



A SMALLER HOUSE WITH THREE BEDROOMS, EIGHT CLOSETS

Tucked into a total of only 1,080 square feet, Five Star Home 1808 has a world of better-living features you usually expect to find only in much larger homes.

There's cross ventilation for the living room, the convenient combination kitchen-laundry, and all three of the bedrooms. Although it's a house with no basement, there's ample closet space available on the one floor. And the carport's backed by a storage room.

1808
Five Star Home

DESIGNERS: C. S. Norris & G. F. Titus

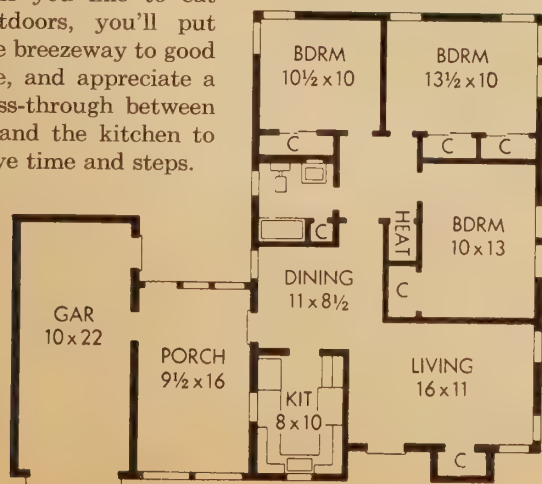
AREA: 1,080 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 41x27 feet



Front door is recessed slightly so roof overhang protects entry.

If you like to eat outdoors, you'll put the breezeway to good use, and appreciate a pass-through between it and the kitchen to save time and steps.



THREE BEDROOMS, BREEZEWAY DESIGNED FOR 60-FOOT LOT

Basically a rectangle, this house has a breezeway and garage on the street side to give breadth of line. It has a dining room partially separated from the living room by an archway and a compact one-door kitchen.

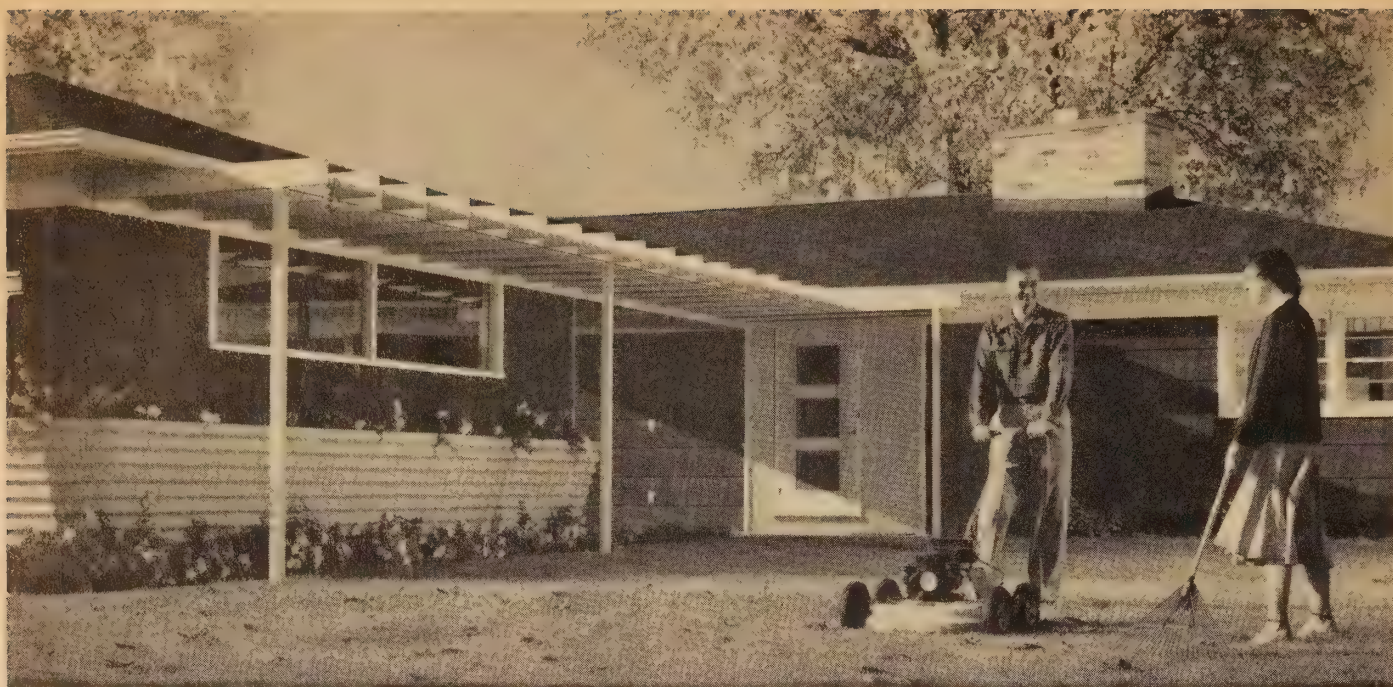
In the living room, you may, if you choose, substitute a fireplace for the closet which is shown. Alternate plans with complete details are available. Corner windows in living room and all bedrooms run from floor to ceiling.

1807-C
Five Star Home

BUILDER: F. W. Sharp

AREA: 1,120 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 45x40 feet



An attractive trellis extends along garage to front entrance, affording smart contrast to dark, double-lapped shingle walls.



YOU'LL FIND A HOUSEFUL OF VALUES IN THIS THREE-BEDROOM BEAUTY

Five Star 2108 provides pleasant, practical surprises within its simple rectangular plan. The sheltered entrance opens to a well-planned room arrangement; move to either right or left and you won't trespass on privacy of individual rooms.

A massive fireplace set at an angle separates the large living-dining area from the stepsaving kitchen. There's abundant storage space in the basement, double garage, and nine closets.

2108

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Whitney K. Ormsby*

AREA: *1,680 square feet*

DIMENSIONS: *56x30 feet*

2006

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Edward G. Wallace*

AREA: *1,476 square feet*

DIMENSIONS: *41x36 feet*

Excellent use of shapes and materials makes the house look bigger than it really is. The living room bay has the same proportions as the house, and the window panes have the same scale as the narrow clapboards across the front of house.

If you decide to add a basement, stairs can be placed in the utility room, or inside the garage beside the back door of the kitchen.



THERE'S BIG LIVING SPACE IN THIS FLEXIBLE HOUSE

The trend is toward larger lots for more outdoor living. But to the big family, space for indoor living is important, too. This Five Star home tackles the problem of putting four bedrooms in a small house on a small lot.

The economical two-story plan cuts costs—expensive foundation walls and roof are minimized. Owners have option of leaving upstairs unfinished so house will grow with the family and their budget.



The porch between the garage and house doubles as a breezeway. You can view the porch through a 16-foot-wide glass wall in the living room. The garage can be positioned at either the front, side, or back of porch, to fit a small lot. Large dormer across rear helps to light upstairs.

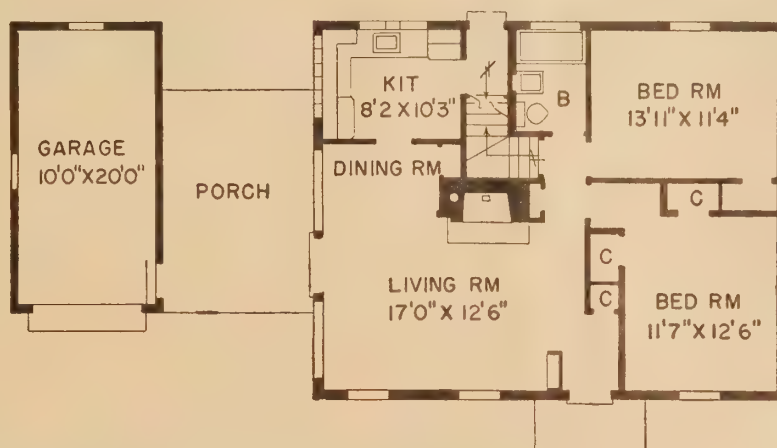
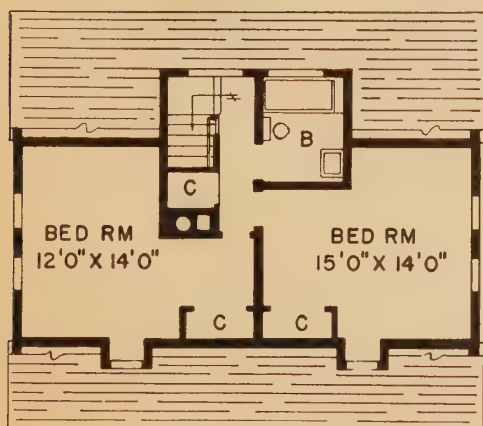
1701

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Bertram Weber*

AREA: *1,113 square feet*

DIMENSIONS: *36½x30½ feet*

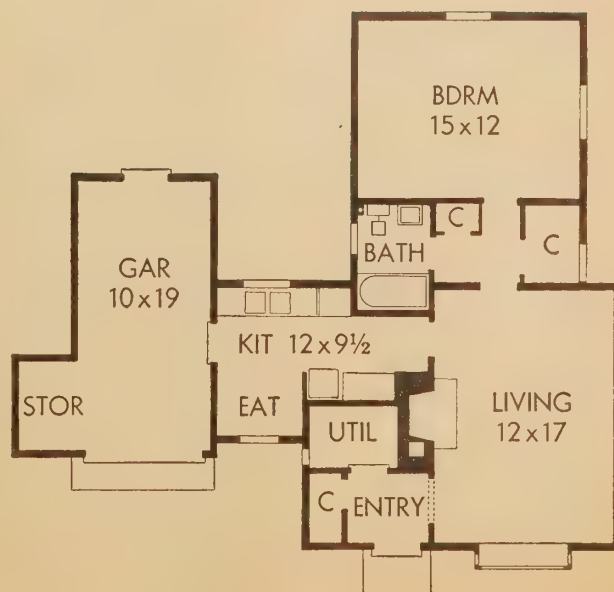


A SMALL HOUSE PLUS A FRESH DESIGN ADDS UP TO ECONOMY AND COMFORT

In this one-bedroom house a small family can have advantages that usually are found only in larger homes. The living room and bedroom are large, with plenty of space for furniture placement. There's cross or through ventilation in all the rooms, and easy access from one room to another.

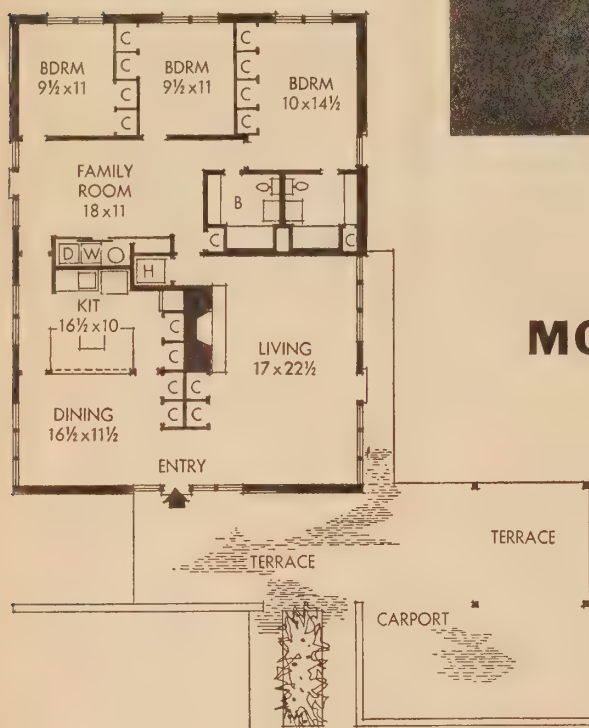
A hall that connects the living room and bedroom doubles as a dressing room, and is convenient to both the walk-in clothes closet and the bath. The kitchen and dining nook area is well daylighted, with two windows on opposite walls.

The entrance hall opens to the living room, which features a rustic fireplace. All storage spaces are located near the points of use. For example, you can store garden tools in a garage extension, and linen in the living room hall closet.



Brick and plywood privacy fence faces street. Front entrance opens onto sheltered front court. Well-placed plantings add permanence to court and front walk.

Overhead gridwork blends into terrace and carport roofs. And a rainy day aid: you can circle house under cover all the way.



MORE HOUSE FOR YOUR MONEY

This new kind of house makes practical uses of the materials of building. Three design points stretch your dollars: rectangular design encloses the most space at least cost, post-and-beam construction eliminates load-bearing walls, and precutting of materials is made possible by uniform dimensions of partitions.

The living room has an all-glass wall overlooking the terrace. Storage units and fireplace separate living and dining rooms. Carport panels shift, converting the two-car shelter to a terrace. The two back-to-back bathrooms have skylights and a mechanical ventilator.

2707

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *E. G. Hamilton*

AREA: *1,650 square feet*

DIMENSIONS: *46 1/2 x 35 1/2*

Gardened, terraced court is shaded by overhead grid which has louvered effect, allowing overhead light and excluding low sun.

Gridwork pattern and shadows add a dramatic look to the house. Grid is made of sturdy 2x6 beams and is supported by posts and brick privacy wall.

Terrace can be used as an outdoor reception hall for guests, or together with carport as large play and family activity area.

Pebble-type glass panels making up front entrance admit translucent light from terrace to living and dining rooms.



A FITTING HOUSE FOR A GROWING FAMILY

An ideal first home for a growing family, this three-bedroom house has carport located for easy conversion to a family room. A dual-purpose fireplace dominates the living room forming a defining wall and noise buffer between living room and kitchen-dining areas.

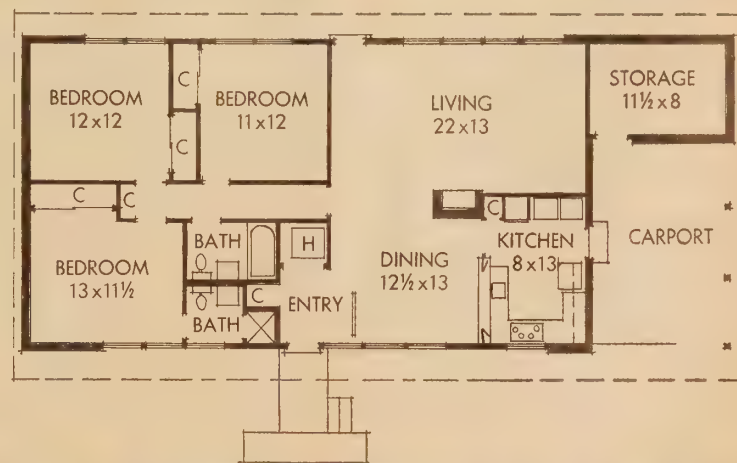
View window fills most of rear wall in the 22-foot living room. Entrance traffic by-passes living room; bedroom wing closes off from active parts of house.



Brick and exterior plywood, framed in batten strips, make up exterior walls. Windows are designed to scale of plywood panels, then similarly framed. While house lends itself to variety of facings, living room window should view rear yard for best orientation.

2706
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *G. Milton Small*
AREA: 1,328 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 61½x28 feet



Front entrance is defined by brick shelter wall that forms base for plant rack. A convenient storage room is located at rear of carport. A door opens into carport from kitchen, and in event carport is converted to extra room, it is unnecessary to build new doorway.





Low, spread out design of this house skillfully combines brick with wood

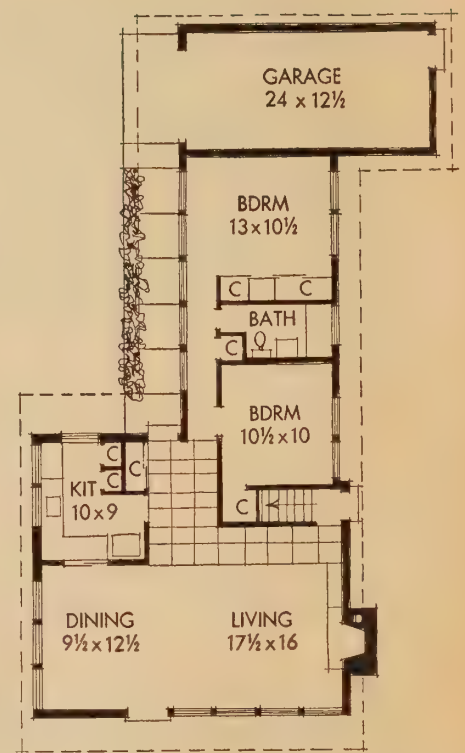
On the exterior, smart use of materials relates the house to its setting. Wide clapboards across the front of the dining room and kitchen serve to link the garage and gabled end into an attractive streetside facade.

Vertical boarding of garage conveys impression of height which serves to balance the story-and-a-half wing at the opposite end of the house.

MODULAR PLAN LETS HOUSE GROW WITH A FAMILY'S NEEDS

This small house looks big, acts big—and can grow still bigger. Its plan is modular, repeating four-foot units to make the job of building go more quickly and economically. It can be started as either a one- or two-story house. As the family grows, added modular rooms can be built at either end of the house.

If you plan the foundations with an eye toward the future, your expansion can go up with a second floor; a stairway can be arranged over the present one to open off the entrance hall.



2410

Five Star Home

DESIGNER: W. H. Gruber
AREA: 1,040 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 49x29 feet



With all the charm of a country cottage, this home would look well on a wooded suburban site

Corner windows in both living and dining areas make a light and cheerful interior, let you enjoy the garden view.

Storage closets and bathroom are well placed to function as noise buffers between active and quiet zones.

The architect planned this house so that it may be built with or without a basement, as climate and preference dictate.



A MODERN INTERPRETATION OF COLONIAL TRADITION

Substantial and trim in its Traditional appearance, Five Star 1812 answers the demands of those who want all the advantages of today's planning incorporated in a house that's just a little reminiscent of the past.

Two bedrooms are positioned at private rear of house, separated from active living area by stairway and fireplace. Functional utility room connects handily with the garage. Upstairs houses expansible space for future bedrooms, bath.

1812
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Arthur Krumwiede*

AREA: 1,548 square feet

DIMENSIONS: 56x36 feet

Full use of natural site creates a big outdoor terrace and garden adding to this home's living area

Outside, an overhang shields front entry walk from sun and rain. Built-in fixtures light the way at night.

Inside, the rear door opens directly to basement stairs, making chores such as lugging laundry and storing outdoor furniture easier to do.

Garage has door that opens onto garden, space for tools, and a handyman's workbench.

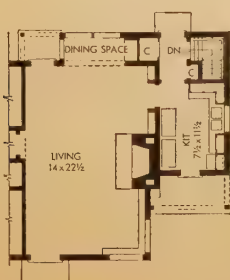
All through the house there is evidence that good planning saves money, adds comfort.



A HOUSE EMINENTLY SUITED TO THE INFORMAL WAY OF LIFE

A natural house, designed and planned for informality, Five Star 1011 presents a rugged and fresh appearance with a minimum of ornamentation. Inside, the long living room suggests the cheerful comforts of country life, with family and friends by the fireside.

Alternate
plan for
basement



1011
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Arthur L. Herberger*

AREA: 1,032 square feet

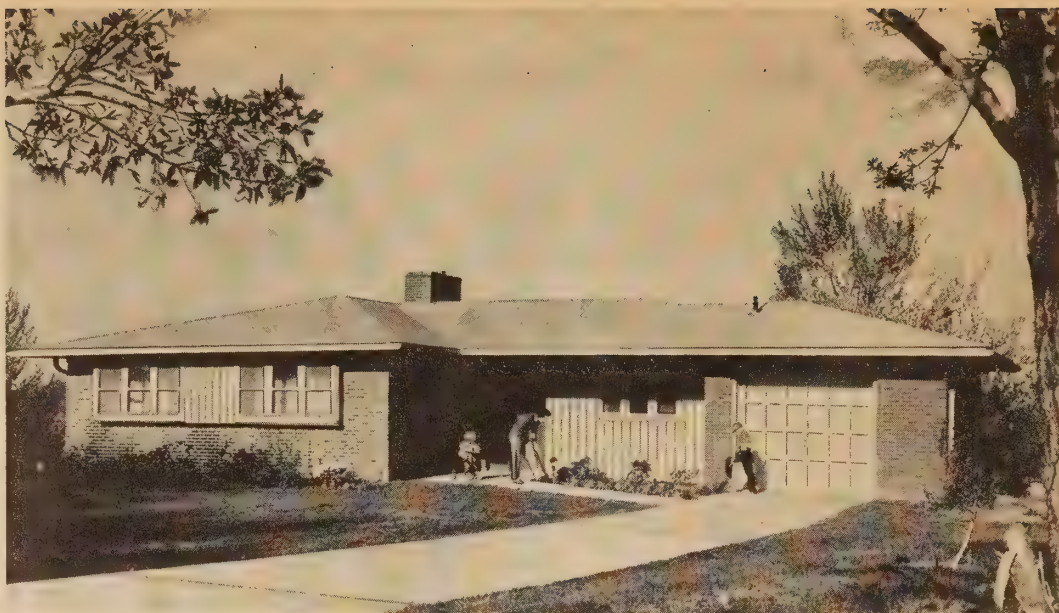
DIMENSIONS: 44x28 feet

Built into this house are important advantages that deserve your consideration

Integral design includes the highly desirable feature of real privacy in the main living areas which are placed away from cross-traffic routes.

The house front is inviting, with a centrally located entry hall that opens to all rooms.

Compact design keeps building costs low, and there's enough ground-floor storage in house to make basement unnecessary.



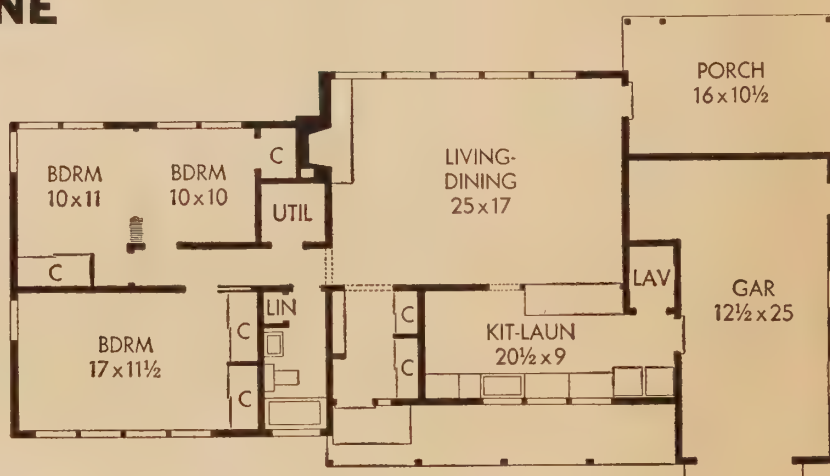
CLEAN SIMPLICITY OF LINE

The beauty of a one-pitch roof, besides its inherent simplicity, is that it places no limitations on a floor plan the way that most gable and hip roofs do.

Wherever an architect chooses to break up a plan, the one-pitch roof can easily cover every corner and job, freeing the house plan for easy, informal living.

The design of this house skillfully exploits this sort of freedom, with activities nicely separated for maximum privacy. Unusual bedroom arrangement offers choice of two or three bedrooms; plan can grow with family's needs.

This home's planned for informality



2011
Five Star Home

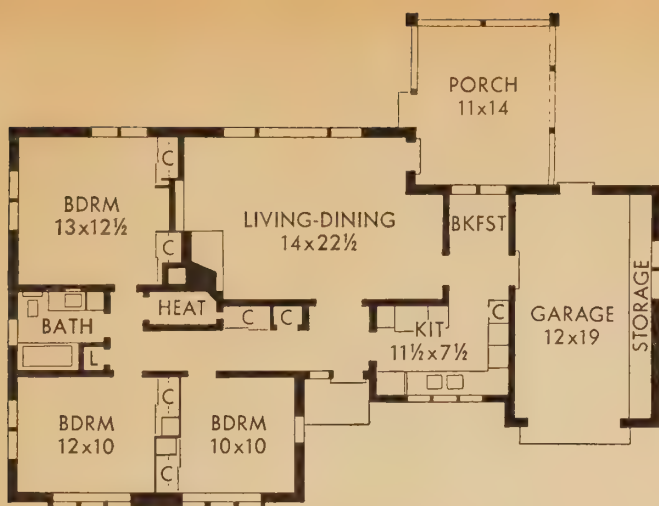
ARCHITECT: Charles E. King
AREA: 1,950 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 68x36 1/2 feet

There's room for comfort and space for active play

The front entrance, in recess between living room and garage, opens to the living and dining rooms. A door near breakfast corner in kitchen leads to back entry, and basement steps.

The kitchen, in rear of the house, is daylighted by three big windows. The basement is 41x25 feet, providing areas for recreation and storage and plenty of utility space.





2201

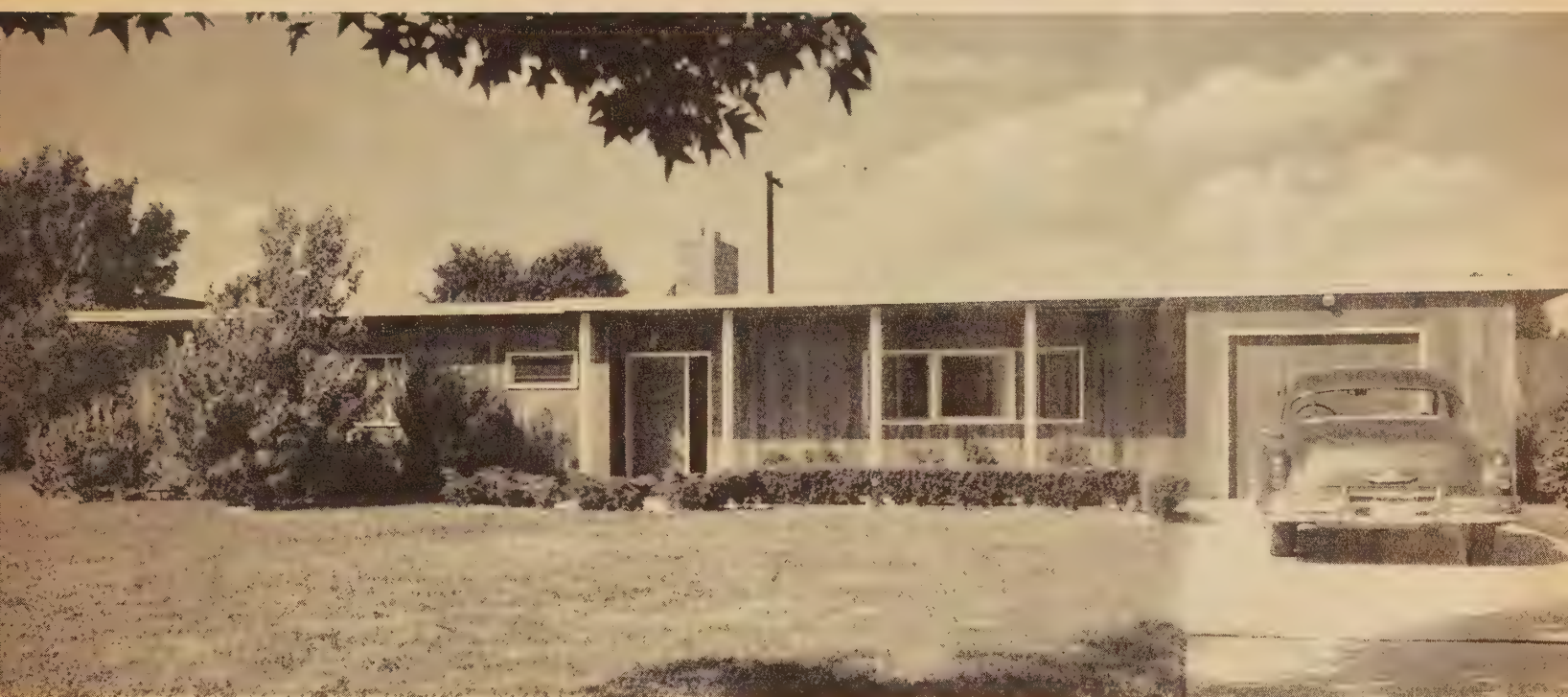
Five Star Home

DESIGNER: *Mort Reed, Jr.*
AREA: 1,772 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 59¼x42 feet

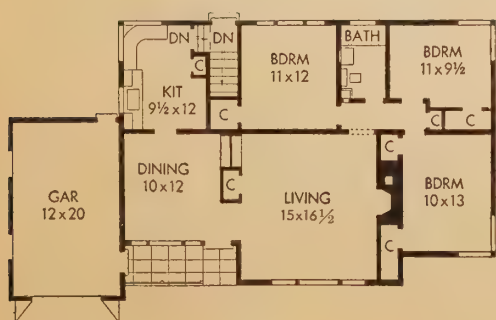
MEANT FOR THE FAMILY THAT VALUES ITS PRIVACY

This house is so planned that you can build it on a busy street and still maintain privacy. To assure this the living room, eating areas, porch, and one bedroom are at the rear overlooking the garden. Despite this garden orientation of major living areas, the house front is attractive.

Two sets of triple windows in the front bedroom form a wood and glass band that contrasts with the home's brick exterior. Kitchen windows beside the garage echo this pattern.



Vertical redwood siding, white posts and trim, covered way between the drive and the front entrance form an inviting streetside face.



1811

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Howard T. Fisher*
AREA: 1,544 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 56x32½ feet

ADAPTS EASILY TO MANY SITES

Five Star Home 1811 could be built almost anywhere and blend happily into its surroundings. It has style without being pretentious, an exterior that doesn't mark it sharply as one style or period. Within its 1,544 square feet you'll find three bedrooms—no cramped cubicles posing as rooms.

Spacious living and dining rooms, separated by a practical storage wall, give you flexibility in furniture arrangement. Attractive, too, is generous closet space throughout.

MEET A HOUSE THAT HAS MORE SPACE FOR LIVING

This graceful house stretches your living space by making the most of the porch and the large basement. Outdoor living areas—porch and deck—and basement hobby room serve as family gathering spots.

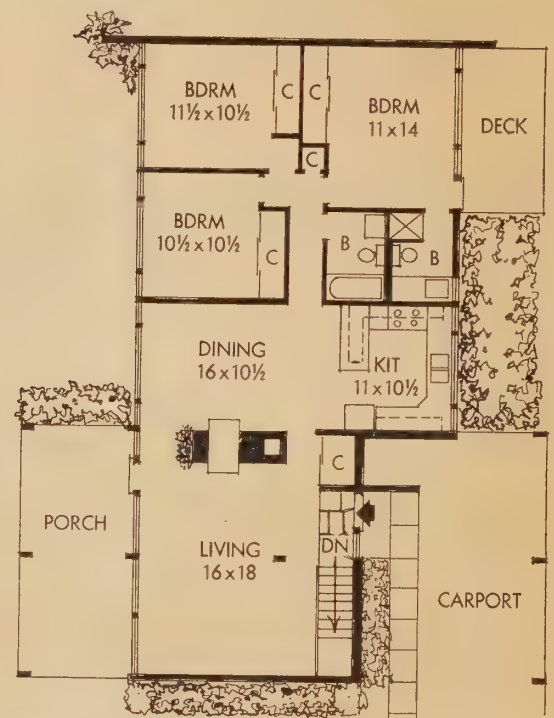
Two floor-to-ceiling windows brighten the living room. The kitchen and two baths stand back to back, a standard economy.



This wall of concrete blocks and glass makes practical, good-looking use of post-and-beam construction. Beams extend to support a roof overhang that shades kitchen and bedroom windows. A bedroom door opens onto the deck, and a path connects the deck to front entrance. Deck is hidden from the street by carport, giving you privacy for family activities.

From front, the house shows a simple design, with uncluttered use of red-wood, glass, and concrete blocks. The sweeping roof extends out to cover the carport and porch. A door opens from living room to porch.

The sheltered front entrance is located in the carport, and opens to the living and dining rooms. The open stairway to the basement hobby room is in the living room, right inside the front entrance.



2904
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Louis Huebner*
AREA: 1,350 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 36x55 feet

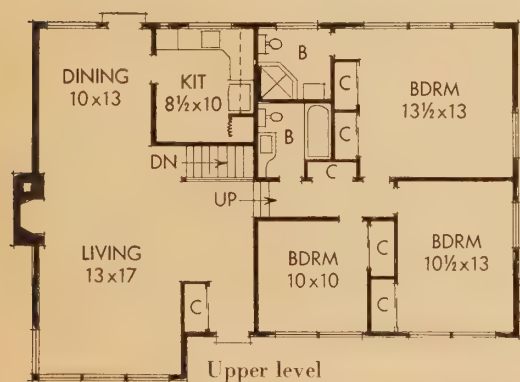




Unlike a conventional basement, three sides of this basement are exposed to natural light. The garage has two windows, and the

adjoining family room has windows on two sides that give cross-ventilation. Door in family room opens onto driveway.

LOOK AT THE BEAUTY AND ECONOMY OF LIVING ON THREE LEVELS!



Entrance opens onto the living and dining level. Stairs at center of the upper level lead down to family room and garage, and up to bedrooms. Family room and bath on lower level add 336 square feet of space.



Five Star 2601 is a three-level, three-bedroom house designed ideally for a rolling site. The three levels meet off a central entryway with the bedroom wing three steps higher than the living area, to give the lower level more above-the-ground room.

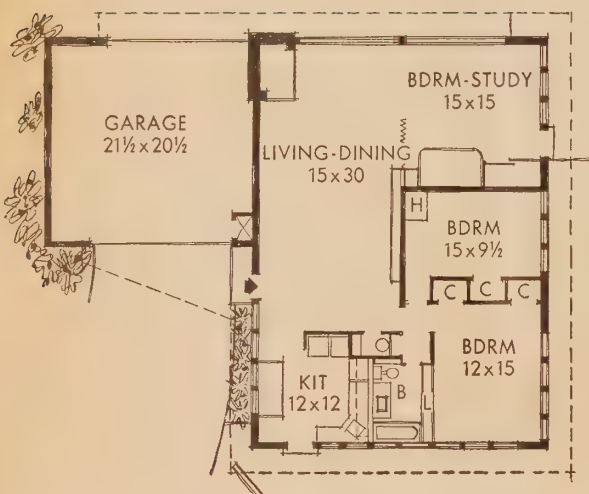
You get bonus living space in the "exposed basement" that contains a large family room, a half-bath, and the garage. The real basement, two steps down from the family room, presents an area of 500 square feet for your laundry, workshop, and storage space.

The exterior siding is plywood with batten strips every 16 inches that give the house strong vertical lines; horizontal siding forms gable. A door from kitchen opens to the off-street yard on the highest level of the lot. A paved terrace could eventually be located in this area.



2601
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *George Hay*
AREA: *1,654 square feet*
DIMENSIONS: *44x32 feet*



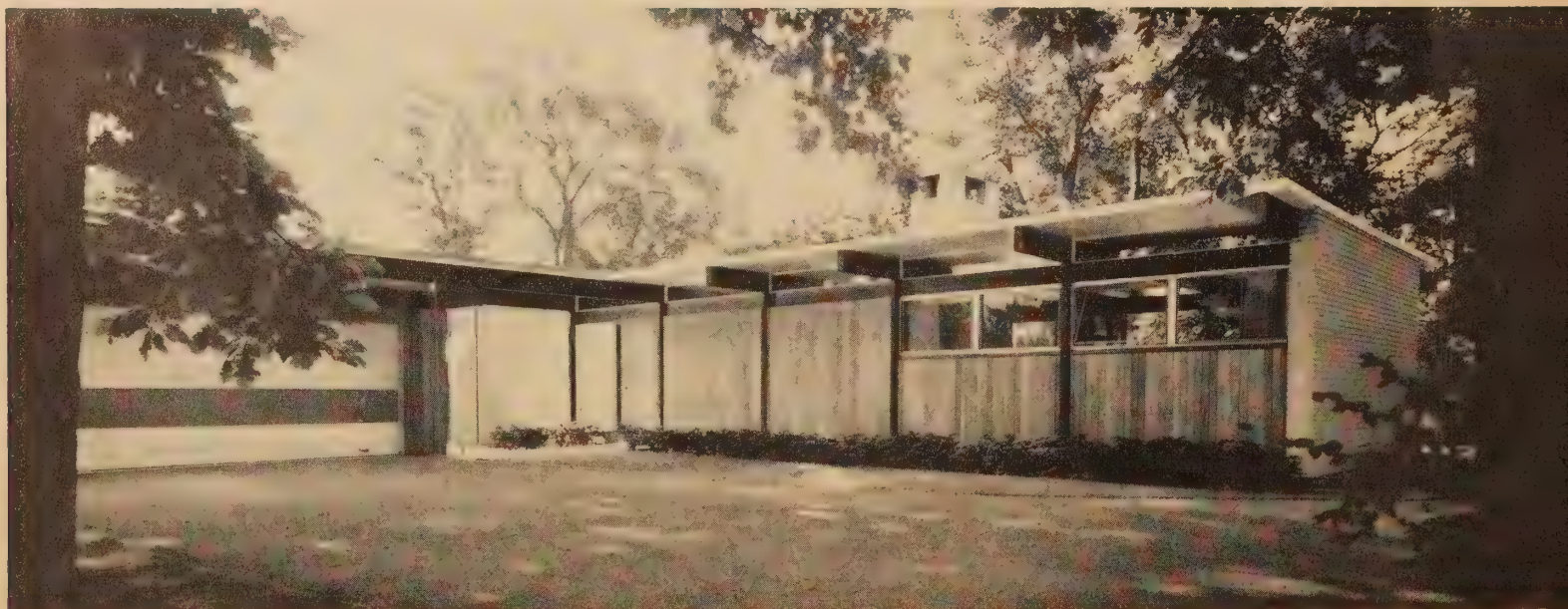
DESIGN CAN FLATTER A SMALL HOUSE

The unusually simple design of this house results largely from the use of post-and-beam construction. Fixed glass replaces solid walls on private side of house to give feeling of space inside. Living area and study can be combined into one large room. Ceiling follows line of the low-pitched roof.

2308
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Rodney Walker*
AREA: 1,245 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 42x53 feet

From streetside you'd never guess house has simple rectangular plan. Garage with flat roof complements gable roof of house.



IF YOUR NEXT HOUSE IS A LARGE ONE . . .

Every square foot of this Five Star home is there to fulfill a particular point in planning. Still, it cuts no corners and comes off as one of the largest homes in our program.

But a large house may be just what you want. There's no ducking the primary point: it is size and size alone that gives you *real* spaciousness.

← Front of house is used brick, stained-cedar siding and battens. The front entrance hall opens to the family, dining and living rooms.



IT'S PLANNED FOR PRIVACY

Here's a house that combines privacy from the street with eye-catching appearance. The house suits almost any building site. Work, play, and quiet areas are well separated.

← Awning-type windows facing street are shoulder high, for light and privacy in living room. A terrace and screened porch are on opposite side of house.

2708
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Louis Huebner*
AREA: 1,845 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 72x69 feet



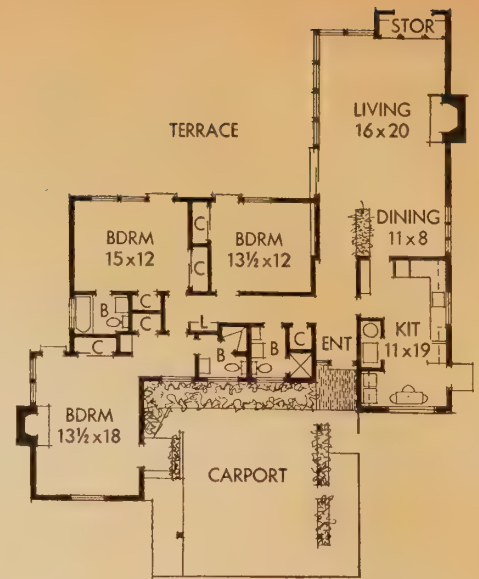
A NEW PLAN THAT BRINGS YOU PRIVACY ON A CITY LOT OF AVERAGE DIMENSIONS

Want to get away from it all? This Five Star home can help you escape (even on a city-size 70x100 foot lot) from disturbing elements inside or outside the house. It's the result of what you might call a Z-shape or stairstep plan. This setup places a wing off to itself with a bonus room that can serve many purposes.

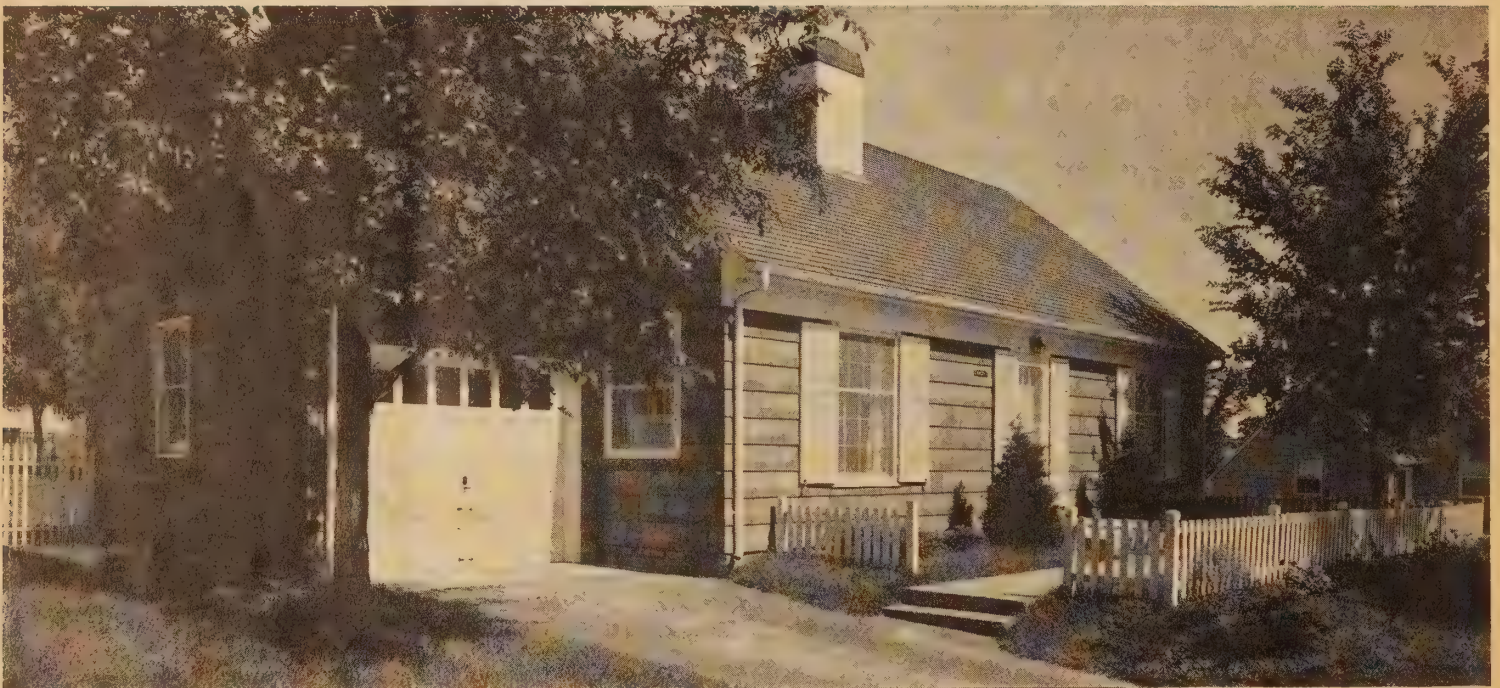
Angles that separate this wing do a lot to make other areas distinctive. Outdoor-indoor living is no overworked catch phrase. Skillful dovetailing of structure and planting produces terrace area for the living room, kitchen, and three bedrooms.

2607
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Edwin Wadsworth*
AREA: 1,670 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 52x66 feet



Apron of concrete in front of house flows into integrated carport-entry court.



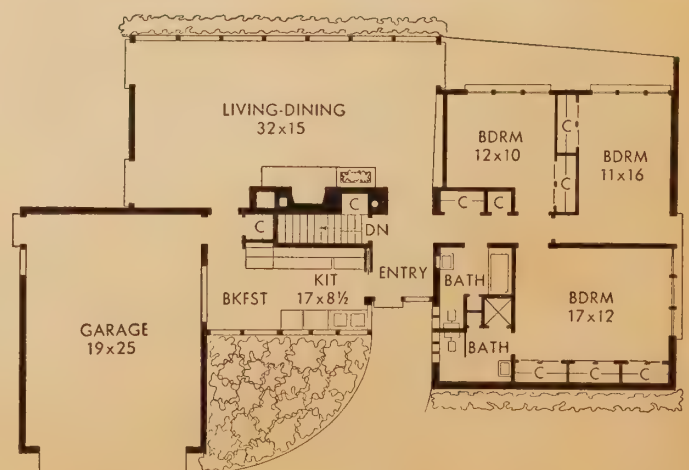
THIS HANDSOME ONE-STORY HOUSE TURNS ITS BACK TO THE STREET

Planned for indoor-outdoor living, this house is blessed with three dining areas—in the kitchen, at one end of the living room, and on the attractive paved terrace which opens off the dining end of the living room.

All three of the bedrooms are large enough for easy placement of furniture; each has adequate closet space; one has its own bath. A second bath serves the other two bedrooms and the living area of the house.

2204
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Goodwin B. Steinberg*
AREA: 1,866 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 59 1/2 x 38 feet



Fine placement of the front entrance lets you reach any room in the house without trespassing on the privacy of the other rooms. Attractive Contemporary exterior design will be at home in any neighborhood where you choose to build this house.



UNDER THIS SNUG CAPE COD ROOF ARE FOUR BEDROOMS, TEN CLOSETS, TWO BATHROOMS

Cape Cod, time-tested product of shrewd Yankee sea captains with no taste for wasting money, is one of the best of small-home designs, and one that's still near the top in popularity.

This home, true to the tradition, is impressive for its economy of construction, neat beauty, and efficient utilization of space. Its tidy, off-white trim, dusky roof accented by a black-capped chimney, weathered shingle siding all add up to total charm.

The floor plan illustrates the economy of design achieved by grouping all plumbing outlets closely. Eliminating the partition between dining area and living room adds a feeling of spaciousness.

Central entry hall adds excellent separation of activities to this conservative two-story plan.

911

Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Edward W. Tanner*

AREA: *1,815 square feet*

DIMENSIONS: *47 1/2 x 26 feet*



THIS EFFICIENT CONTEMPORARY HOME CUTS BUILDING COSTS

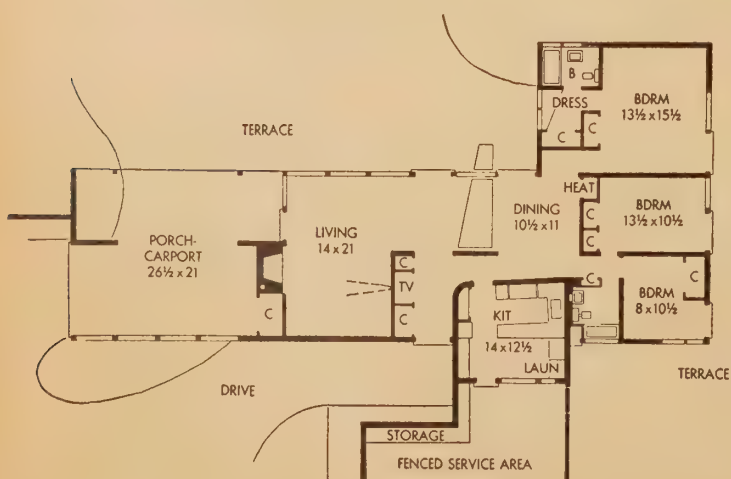
Most homeowners demand four features in a house: A good indoor-outdoor relationship; a plan that encourages informal entertaining; a lack of frills (which makes housekeeping easy); and construction within the limits of ever-mounting building costs.

You'll find all these features here. Note also how walls are built only where privacy is important—glass areas open rest of home to outdoors.



Simple L-shaped plan opens to private terrace

Home's close link between indoor and outdoors isn't evident from windowless entrance side facing street. Privacy wall at right encloses service areas off kitchen. Louvered carport-porch (left) adds 22 feet of width to this efficient home.



Bedroom end shows simplicity of post-and-beam construction as it projects beyond wall. Adjoining terrace is divided by privacy fence for active and quiet areas. Textures vary from smooth glass, board and batten to roughness of shake roof.

2004
Five Star Home

ARCHITECT: *Cliff May*
AREA: 1,500 square feet
DIMENSIONS: 80x42 feet

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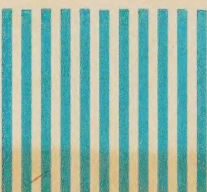
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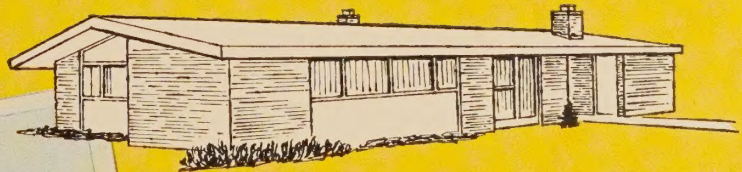
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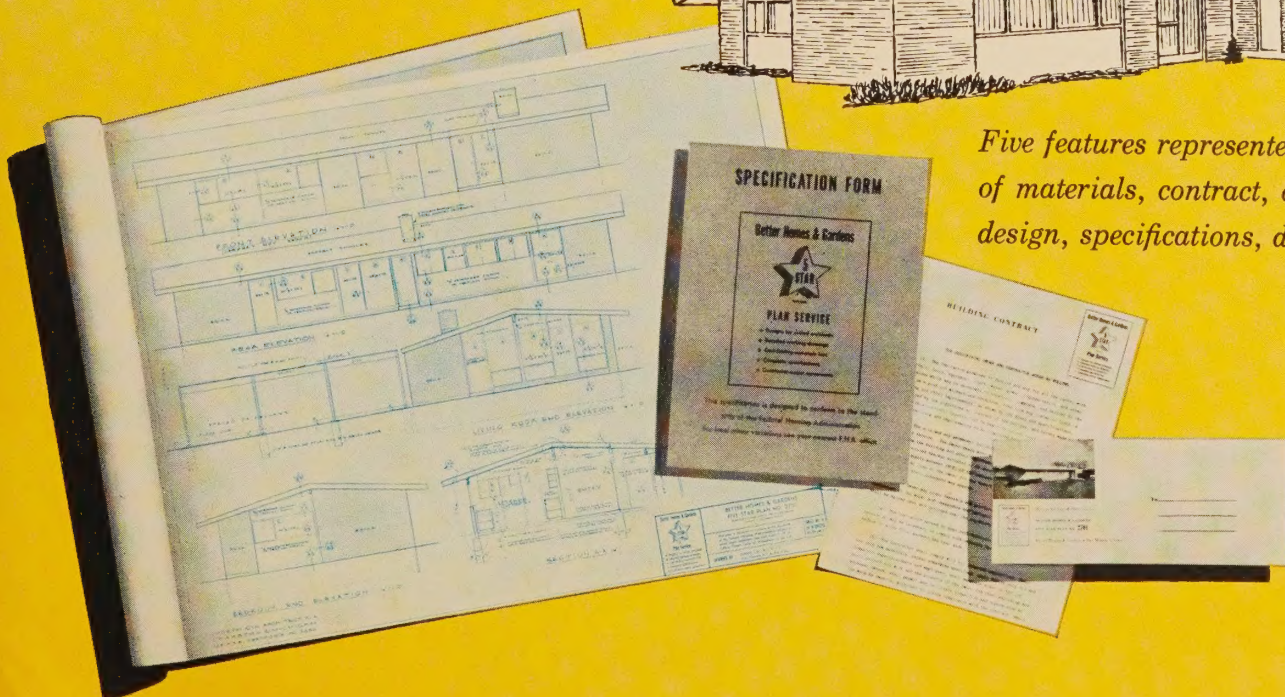
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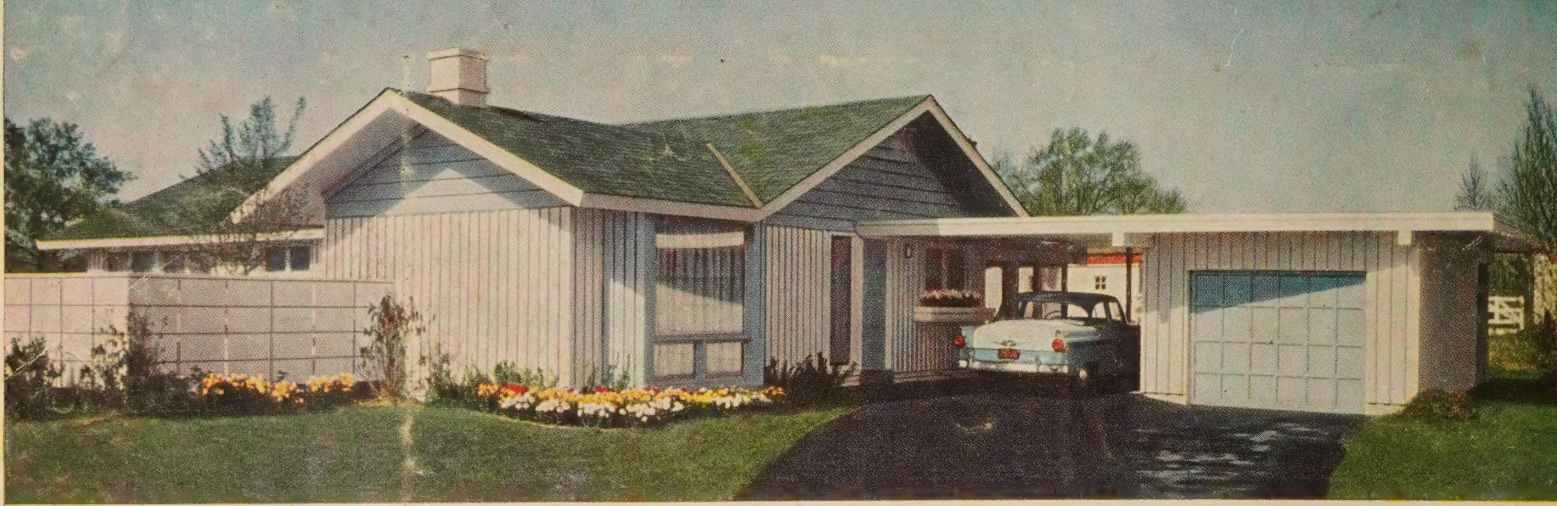
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